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NO SURRENDER STATEMENT BY GEN. MIAJA

London, To-day.
The Republican Spanish commander, General Miaja, in a statement to the correspondent of the "Evening Standard," declared that his troops would fight until the last drop of blood has been shed and the last man killed.

Nobody should think that the war was over because Barcelona had fallen. There could be no question of surrender on the Madrid front, and their hope was not to be shaken.—Trans-Ocean.

LOYALIST RESISTANCE STIFFENING

Barcelona, To-day.

The Nationalist forces are moving northwards in Catalonia on a front that extends almost 120 kilometres, strong enemy resistance being met at various points, it is declared here.

Chief objective in the north-west part of the front is the town of Berga which is now being encircled from the south and the west, while the troops advancing to the south-east are approaching the Mountains which with their 1,700 metres high peaks afford a natural defence for Vich and Gerona.

It is assumed that the Republican forces will attempt to reorganise their defence in the mountains taking advantage of natural obstacles. Determined resistance is being offered by the loyalist troops north-east of Granollers and south of Vich because should the Nationalists succeed in breaking through at these points they would be able to surround the mountains and the Republicans would lose the strategical advantage offered thereby.—Trans-Ocean.

KNIGHTHOOD FOR MR. WILLIAM DIXON

Of interest to his many friends in Hong Kong will be the news that the New Year Honours List included the name of Mr. William Dixon, on whom a knighthood was bestowed.

Sir William Dixon is a well-

PROVIDE SCHEME

London, To-day.

A statement on war risks was made in the House of Commons yesterday by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon.

Sir John said that the Government's conclusions on the principles which should be applied respecting war risks was that such loss or injury ought not to be treated as merely the concern of those who suffered it directly, but must be regarded as falling upon the community as a whole.

Regarding individuals, the Government had under consideration arrangements for giving compensation in respect of death or injury caused by air raids or other warlike actions.

Regarding the various types of private property, the suggestion had been made that the Government might institute an insurance scheme, collecting premiums from owners and undertaking to pay in full for subsequent damage.

This proposal had been exhaustively examined and the insuperable difficulty was that no possible basis for actual calculation existed.

VAGUE LIABILITY
The Government therefore could not contemplate a scheme which would permit the community to a vague and indefinite liability.

That did not mean that individual properties would be left to bear the loss unaided, but that compensation should be on a higher scale compatible with the circumstances in the country after, and not before, the conflict.

When the extent of damage to property in private ownership was known, such contribution would be made from the public funds as circumstances made possible in accordance with a scale which would, at any rate, pay in full up to a certain limit of loss, and therefore would be graded.

COMPENSATION BOARD
There would be a Compensation Board presided over by one of His Majesty's Judges, and collection claims recording damage would be

known collector of Australia, and received the honour "for public and philanthropic service in the State of New South Wales."

He has been a regular visitor to Hong Kong for many years and has a wide circle of friends here.

FASCISTS DEMONSTRATE IN LONDON

London, To-day.

Demonstrations occurred in Westminster yesterday when five motorlorries with medicine and blankets were about to leave for Spain.

British Fascists surrounded the cars carrying placards with the inscription "Why support foreigners when British people starve?"

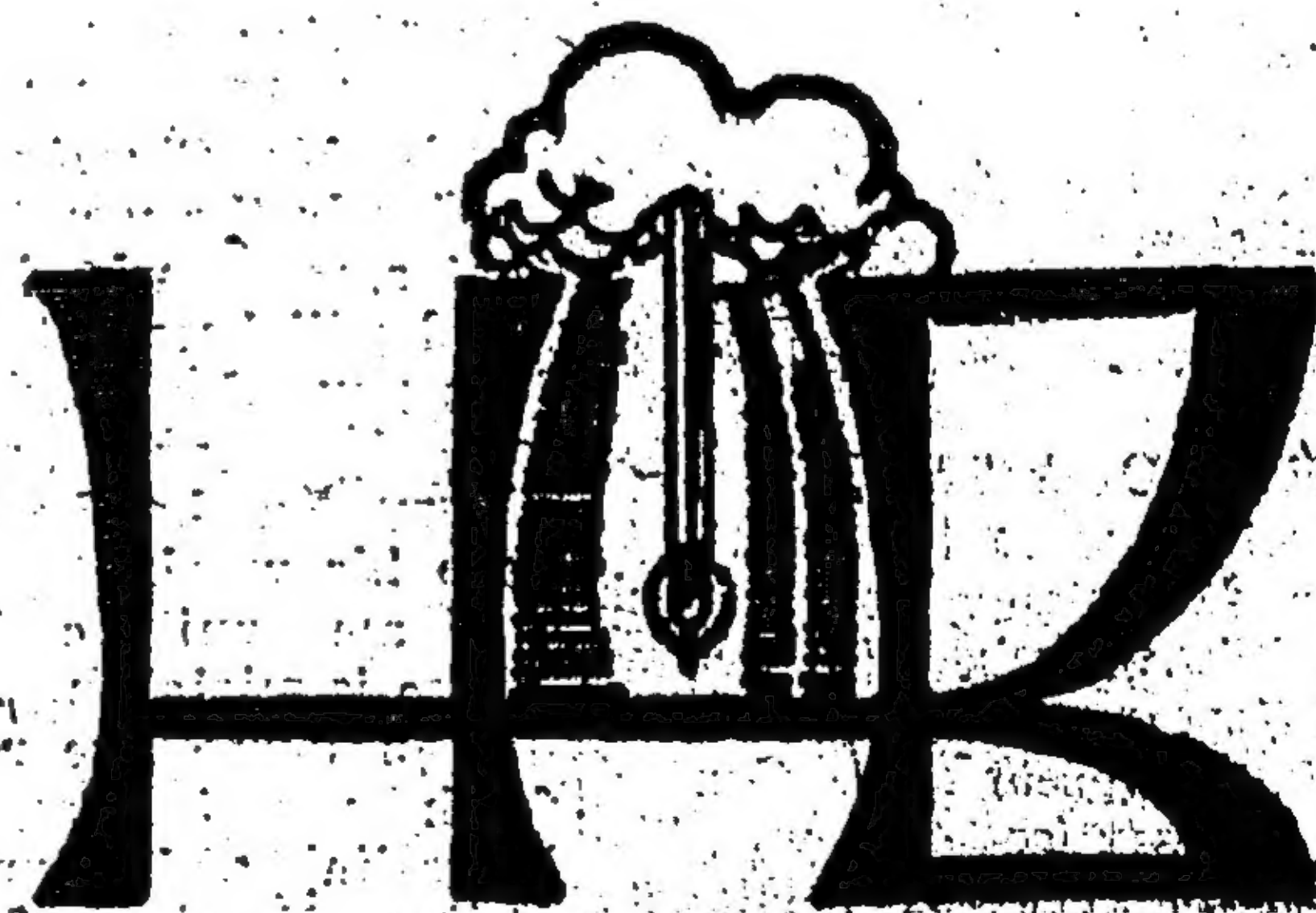
A scuffle developed when a woman member of the Spanish relief committee tried to seize the placard so that the police intervened and dispersed the crowd.—Trans-Ocean.

LADY MARY LYGON BETROTHED

London, To-day.

The forthcoming wedding of Prince Vsevolod of Russia, the son of Prince John of Russia whom the Bolsheviks murdered in 1918, with Lady Mary Lygon, the third daughter of the late Lord Beauchamp, was announced here yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

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BITTER ATTLEE ATTACK ON SPANISH POLICY

"Growing Feeling Of Disgust" In Britain

British Protests Treated With Contempt

London, To-day.

The Labour Opposition leader, Mr. C. R. Attlee, initiated the discussion on Spain in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Attlee stated that when the Prime Minister spoke of Mussolini's desire for peace, the people of this country were more impressed by the fact that Mussolini had been intervening for the last two and a half years in the Spanish civil war.

Mr. Attlee was of opinion that the Prime Minister would find that there was a growing feeling of disgust in this country at the attitude taken by the British Government throughout the whole of this struggle.

He added that all attempts to minimise the contributions Italy was making to the offensive in Catalonia were absurd in view of the declarations made in Italy itself.

More than half the detachments in the advance on Barcelona were Italian, and the fall of Barcelona was hailed as a great Italian victory.

The action of the British Government throughout the whole Spanish question, with the solitary exception of the Nyon Agreement, had been a definite encouragement to aggression.

PITIFUL PROCESSION

The Prime Minister, in reply, said that no one could read of the "pitiful procession of wounded men, old men, women and children, some of them mutilated, struggling up the great mountains dividing France and Spain in conditions of bitter hardship, without feeling what a terrible thing war was even in its secondary effect.

"How much more terrible it would be if the area of conflict should be extended."

The British Government were doing what it could to help and would continue to do so. They had paid £20,000 to the international commission for assistance of child refugees in Spain, and had put a further £20,000 at the disposal of the commission.

When the need arose he had no doubt they would be ready to do more.

BARCELONA THANKS

After referring to the efforts to arrange a safety zone for Spanish refugees, Mr. Chamberlain recalled that the Government had already addressed an appeal to General Franco to exercise all possible humanity in the circumstances prevailing in Catalonia.

Before the fall of Barcelona many people had expected its fall to be followed by a terrible massacre, yet nothing of the kind had happened, and members of the Opposition might have given thanks for it.

PREMIER SATISFIED

Turning to the general question of British policy as regards Spain,

the Prime Minister said he was satisfied that the British policy of non-intervention had been right all along, and it was certainly not the moment to change it.

Intervention on the side of the Spanish Government would have to take place on a very considerable scale if it was to alter the state of affairs in Spain.

STRICT IMPARTIALITY

"I do not consider that the situation in Spain is at this moment a menace to the peace of Europe, but most emphatically I consider that if we had abandoned the policy of non-intervention on any considerable scale took place on behalf of the Spanish Government, that would be a menace to peace.

"Any such intervention must lead to extension of the conflict in Europe, which is against the policy which has been and will be followed by the British Government.

"British policy is one of strict impartiality. The reason we refused belligerent rights to General Franco was that this was not a civil war merely but that the matter was complicated by the intervention of foreign powers on one side or the other."

OPPOSITION DISTRUST

Referring to the Opposition distrust of Mussolini's and Hitler's words, Mr. Chamberlain said:

"Surely the worst way to ensure that a man who has given his word will keep it is to tell him that you don't believe him and will base your actions on the assumption that he is not going to keep his word.

"I am quite certain that Mr. Attlee is mistaken. Only the other day in Rome we received again fresh repeated assurances from Mussolini and Count Ciano (the Italian Foreign Minister) that Italy has nothing to ask of Spain after the war is over.

"The policy of appeasement is steadily succeeding. The Rome visit has not weakened our relations with France."

HITLER SPEECH

Referring to Hitler's Reichstag speech Mr. Chamberlain said he very definitely got the impression that it was not the speech of a

UNITED AIR TO BOYCOTT JAPAN

Washington, January 19.

American airplanes will no longer be sold to Japan.

This fact became evident to-day when the United Aircraft Corporation, only firm to have refused compliance with State Secretary Cordell Hull's recommendations in this respect, stated that it too will stop shipments to Japan.

Mr. Brown, Director of the Corporation, communicated assurances to this effect to Mr. Hull this afternoon. The State Secretary expressed "satisfaction" over the firm's decision.—Havas.

man preparing to throw Europe into another crisis.

There were many passages in the speech which indicated the necessity of peace for Germany as well as other countries.

Confidence in Europe was not easily or quickly established.

Mr. Chamberlain concluded: "Before we enter on a final settlement we shall want to see concrete evidence and willingness to enter an alliance if not for disarmament then for a limitation of armaments.

"When that time comes, if we can find a spirit corresponding to our own elsewhere, I know that this country will make its contribution to general appeasement." — Reuter.

EXAGGERATED FEARS

British Wireless says that the House of Commons was crowded on its reassembly after Christmas in anticipation of the foreign affairs debate which was opened by the Opposition leader immediately after questions. The public and private galleries were full and there was a large attendance of the Diplomatic Corps.

Mr. Chamberlain said that the British Government had seen with the greatest satisfaction the recent Franco-German declaration, and now the exaggerated fears and prophecies published in sections of the press in advance of Hitler's speech had been belied in the event.

NO NEW CRISIS

Regarding the speech Mr. Chamberlain said: "It was a long speech. It touched a great many topics and covered a wide field. I do not pretend I have had the time to examine with care every phrase in it but I can say this. I very definitely got the impression that it was not the speech of a man who was preparing to throw Europe into another crisis.

"We all have our domestic problems, our economic or financial problems or unemployment in one country and other problems in other countries. None of us could be unsympathetic to the idea that the statesmen of various countries should devote themselves for a time to improvement of the conditions of their own people."

MUTUAL CONFIDENCE

This reference to Hitler's speech had been preceded by another in an answer which the Premier gave at question time and in which he

said: "I welcome the passages in Herr Hitler's speech regarding his desire for mutual confidence and co-operation between our two peoples, and I should like to take this opportunity to repeat that these sentiments are fully shared by the British Government and by the people of this country. No negotiations are at present contemplated with the German Government but the British Government has been glad to observe the discussions on various industrial matters that have recently taken place between representatives of industry in both countries."

Referring to the suggestion made by the Opposition leader that Franco's victory might be a strategic threat to Britain, Mr. Chamberlain twitted Mr. Attlee for disbelieving the assurances given by Mussolini and Hitler.

WORST POSSIBLE VIEW

Accusing the Opposition of taking the worst possible view of the motives and intentions of the leaders of totalitarian states and of frightening themselves by feeding their imaginations on improbable hypotheses, as well as exaggerating the deficiencies in British strength, the Prime Minister declared that the Government's rearmament efforts were now beginning to result in enormous and ever more rapidly increasing additions to the armed strength of Britain.

In conclusion, Mr. Chamberlain said that while he believed there were no questions between nations, however serious, which could not be settled by discussion he must add the qualification that it was no use to embark on discussions for settlement of differences, satisfaction of aspirations and removal of grievances unless the atmosphere was favourable and unless those who undertook them were convinced that those who sit round the table wanted a peaceful settlement and had no sinister ideas at the back of their minds.

IGNOMINIOUS ROLE

Mr. Attlee argued that the Spanish Government had been fighting the battle of Democracy against the forces of aggression, and pictured the British Government as having played the ignominious role of holding the hands of the Government of Spain behind her back and preventing her defending herself.

But he claimed there was growing appreciation in all parties of the dangerous repercussions on the strategic security of Britain which must follow prolonged intervention by the totalitarian states in the affairs of the Peninsula.

Referring to the Rome visit, he said it had accomplished nothing save to reveal what the Opposition had never doubted the existence among the Italian people themselves of a desire for peace and friendly relations with other nations.

IDZUMO IN SOUTH

Holhow, To-day.

The Japanese flagship, Idzumo is reported to be anchored off Pakhoi. Eighteen other Japanese warships are off the Kwangtung coast west of Pakhoi, while six are off Ngalyun, south Hainan.—Central News.

INSIDE GERMANY

BERLIN'S PLANS FOR AIR DEFENCE

Berlin, Jan. 20.

The German Government is very busy shaping public opinion in regard to civil air defence, while at the same time preparing to take the offensive in the air.

All over Berlin there are posters blazoning a slogan which Marshal Goering once coined in a speech: "Every civil air warden has a post of the same responsibility and demanding the same courage as that of a soldier at the front."

Compared with British air defence preparations, Germany goes ahead very smoothly, still pursuing the policy of making all new buildings stout enough to be useful as shelters.

There is, for instance, the new Underground station in the Potsdamer Platz which stretches fully 200 yards into the Leipziger Platz.

The finishing touches are being put to what will be a vast concrete hall, thickly enough roofed to make it a safe shelter for several thousand people. The massive vaults run under roads pavements, lawns alike.

ARMY v. PARTY

The shock troops—who took part in the manoeuvres last autumn in field grey, with only their black SS collar tabs and the SS on their number plates to distinguish them from the Regular Army—are assuming more and more the role of the Brigade of Guards in the German Army.

They bring with them their own extreme ideology, a certain contempt for the conscript system, and their own heavy artillery, so that they form a unit, nearly as strong as two Army corps.

As far as can be seen, they still remain under the command of Heinrich Himmler, whose tenth anniversary as their leader was widely celebrated in the German Press on January 6, so that a bone of contention would still seem to remain between Party and Army.

OATH CHANGED

At present the trend towards a godless ideology seems to be gaining ground against the passive resistance of the Army.

For instance, the oath of loyalty to the Head of the State is no longer taken—since the beginning of 1939—with a religious service, when recruits are sworn in.

It is inevitable that such innovations—together with the introduction of heavy tanks and heavy artillery for the shock troops, decided upon only a fortnight ago—

ITALIANS MASSED FOR DJIBOUTI ATTACK

Paris, Jan. 19.

Eight or ten thousand Italian native troops have of late been concentrated along the Dire Dawa-Djibouti section of the Addis Ababa-Djibouti railway. M. Jerome Tharaud, member of the French Academy and special correspondent of the "Paris-Solr" reported to-day.

He pointed out that that special section of the railway offered the only possible base for attacks against French Somaliland in hostilities because in all other regions, the French frontiers are protected by mountains.—Havas.

stir a certain latent mistrust between conservative circles in the Army and Party leaders.

Add to this the severe ban on any celebrations of the ex-Kaiser's birth-day issued by General Keitel and first reported in the News Chronicle, and you have the ingredients for a little effervescence.

(At right)—Jean Daladier, the 17 year old son of the French Prime Minister, has begun his political career. He is the founder of the Jeunesses de l'Empire Français (the Youth of the French Empire), which has held its first big public reunion. The aim of the movement is to foster Colonial feeling in the youth of France. Photo shows Jean Daladier speaking during the meeting.



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MR. POTTER TALKS OF QUASI-FORGERIES IN INSURANCE CLAIM CASE

THAT CERTAIN ALTERATIONS MADE IN THE WEIGHT AND PRICE BOOK, WHICH DEFENDANT FIRM MADE WITH THE OBJECT OF OBTAINING MORE MONEY THAN WAS DUE TO PLAINTIFF, WERE QUASI FORGERIES AND MIGHT HAVE POSSIBLY BEEN DONE BY "AN ENEMY IN OUR CAMP, A CRAZY FOOL," WERE SOME OF THE REMARKS MADE BY MR. ELDON POTTER, K.C., BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR ATHOLL MacGREGOR, AT THE SUPREME COURT THIS MORNING, WHEN LEGAL PROCEEDINGS INSTITUTED BY CHEONG SHING HONG, MARINE-PRODUCE DEALERS, OF NO. 31, BONHAM STRAND WEST, AGAINST THE CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED, FOR \$30,906.23, BEING THE RATEABLE PROPORTION OF LOSS AND DAMAGE TO GOODS SUFFERED IN A FIRE WHICH OCCURRED IN PLAINTIFF FIRM'S GODOWN ON JANUARY 7, 1938, WERE CONTINUED.

Messrs. Eldon, Potter K. C. and H. C. MacNamara, instructed by Mr. E. Davidson, appear for plaintiff firm, while the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, junior, and Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, instructed by Mr. O. E. C. Marton, are for defendants.

Continuing this morning, Mr. Potter, after dealing further in detail, with the mistakes in the books and the prices of the goods, stated that he had established that the corrections and alterations, if any, were genuine and that the prices of the goods which defendant contended to be the market rates, were wrong.

ONUS ON DEFENDANTS

The onus, pointed out Counsel, was on defendant firm to prove the allegation that most of the goods claimed under the insurance policies were not in the godown when the fire occurred.

Mr. Potter added that the Weight and Price Book was handed over to defendant firm's assessors four days after the fire. It was sent back to plaintiff company's solicitors, Messrs. Hastings and Company on January 27, 1938, 16 days later, and remained, virtually, in their possession until the present date.

Counsel continued that—sometime in November last, they were informed by Deacon's that six photographs of certain pages in the Weight and Price Book were taken on January 24, 1938 and that the photographs showed that some of the accounts had been altered after the photographs were taken.

ENEMY IN THE CAMP

Mr. Potter remarked that the books were virtually in the possession of Messrs. Hastings and Company all the time and that all he could suggest was that there was "an enemy in our camp," who did the alleged alterations.

The alleged alterations, pointed out Mr. Potter, were entirely harmless. "I cannot say that our case can be advanced by these alterations," he said.

Counsel produced copies of the six photographs and pointed out that the figures in the photos were as plain as could be.

Counsel asked the Court to compare the photographs with the original pages in the Weight and Price Book, and pointed out that in each case certain characters and figures had been altered throughout, by the thickening of strokes and lines.

"CRAZY FOOLS"

"In no human possible way could those alterations advance our case," remarked Mr. Potter, and pointed out that it could only be suggested that they had been done by one of our folks, which is denied, who must have been a "crazy fool."

Counsel continued that one of the photos showed alterations to characters and figures not connected with the case.

If they were forgeries, added Counsel, they are quasi forgeries, for the comparison between the original pages in the book and the photographs reveals that no material alterations had been made. It was merely a touching up of certain characters and figures by the thickening of certain strokes and lines.

If it had been done by a misguided person who did it for our benefit, he must have been a very misguided person, commented Mr. Potter.

Mr. Potter submitted that if there were any alterations, which defendant firm alleged were fraudulent, they were genuine ones, and patently honest mistakes.

The case is continuing.

HOTEL ARTISTES FAILED TO REGISTER

Three residents of the Hong Kong Hotel were summoned before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning and cautioned for failing to report their arrival in the Colony within 48 hours.

They were Mr. Emmanuel Gran, a Russian subject, and Mr. Lovas Novaschek, and his sister, Miss Cizella Novaschek, of Hungary, the latter two artistes at the Hotel.

Mr. F. Zimmern appeared for the first defendant and pleaded guilty, saying that defendant had overlooked registering but had done so immediately he was informed.

Acting Sub-inspector Fowlie said that the other defendants were artistes at the Hong Kong Hotel and arrived in the Colony on January 19, by s.s. Ranchi.

Lovas Novaschek, pleading guilty, said that he was under the impression that the Hotel management would attend to the registration or at least tell them, as had been done in other places they had visited. He was not aware that registration was necessary or else he would have done so immediately.

AMMUNITION FOUND IN YAUMATI

Confiscation of 44 rounds of rifle ammunition was ordered by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon this morning.

Det.-Sgt. C. Pope, who applied for the confiscation, said the ammunition was found at 9 a.m. yesterday on the shore of Yaumati seaford, near Battery Street, by a Chinese constable.

For employing 42 women in factory work at 10.10 p.m. on January 11, the manager of the Mak Ming Kee Tooth Brush Company, of 55, Ping Street, was this morning fined \$30 by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon.

Pleading guilty to giving a receipt for the sum of \$24.25 which had not been duly stamped, a man named Wong Hing, of No. 28, Reclamation Street, was fined \$15 at Kowloon this morning.

ROOSEVELT TRIP TO EUROPE?

Washington, To-day.
Intention of President Roosevelt to go to Europe in order to return the visit of the British Royal Couple to Washington was revealed on Monday in a broadcast speech by Mr. James Manzan, member of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.
The speaker voiced the opinion that the visit of the British Royal Couple to Washington was an attempt to gain United States support for British aims. — Trans-Ocean.

FASCIST GRAND COUNCIL MEETING

Rome, To-day.
The next session of the Fascist Grand Council, to take place on Saturday, is awaited with keen expectation.
On matters of prime significance such as Ciano's trip to Hungary and Yugoslavia, the capture of Barcelona, and the Fuehrer's speech, Mussolini is expected to make important pronouncements. — Trans-Ocean.

BOMBING RAIDS ON NANNING

Kweilin, To-day.
Operating from Weichow Island, Japanese planes raided Nanning on Monday and yesterday.

Details are lacking, but Chinese messages report that several buildings were demolished and many civilians killed. — Our Own Correspondent.

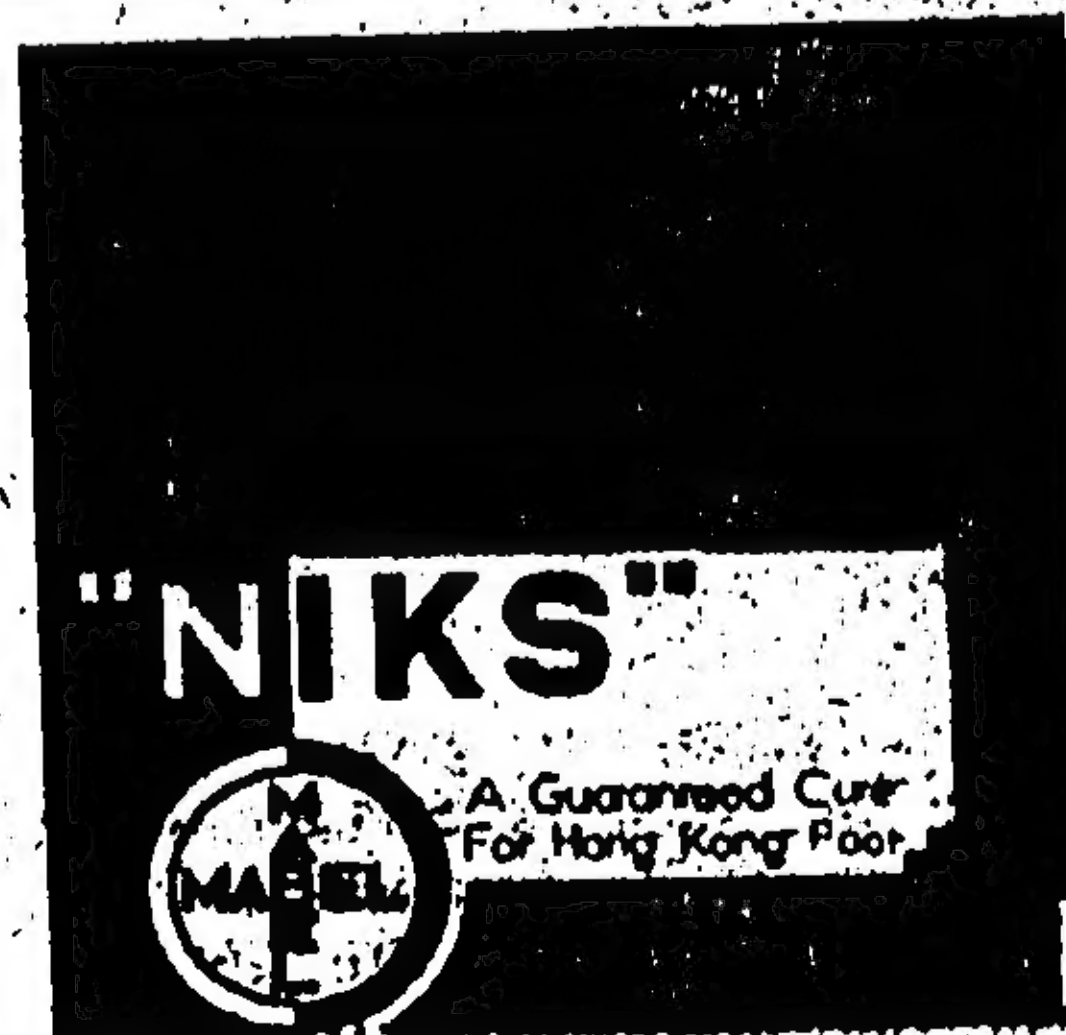
DICTATORSHIP AUTHORITY

Berlin, To-day.
The Reichstag yesterday passed unanimously a motion providing that the Empowering Law, authorising the Government to issue decrees and enactments on its own initiative should be prolonged till May 10, 1943. — Trans-Ocean.

WITHDRAWAL FROM ONPO

Macao, To-day.
According to vernacular reports from Kwongchowwan last night, the Japanese have withdrawn from Onpo.

Two Japanese warships are, however, still cruising off Onpo. — Our Own Correspondent.



KINGSHAN AGAIN TAKEN BY JAPANESE

Changteh, To-day.
Kingshan, 90 miles northwest of Hankow, has again been lost to the Japanese after severe fighting.

The Japanese renewed their westward thrust along the King-shan-Tsaoshih highway after massing heavy reinforcements. The Chinese withdrew to avoid fierce artillery bombardment. Fighting is going on at Sunkiao, west of Kingshan.

On the Wuchang-Ichang highway a Japanese unit has pushed its way to the west of Wamiao-tsi, where it is being engaged. — Central News.

CHUNGKING COMMUNICATIONS

Chungking, To-day.
In addition to the Chungking-Tihwa radio-telephone line which was thrown open yesterday, long-distance telephone lines between Chungking and Kunming and Lanchow are being installed.

An automatic telephone system is being installed in Chungking city. — Central News.

BOMBING RAID ON SHIUKWAN

Chungking, To-day.
Shiukwan was attacked yesterday by 18 Japanese planes. More than 100 bombs were rained at the railway station and its vicinity.
Seventeen other aircraft in five squadrons staged two raids over Lientang, in the neighbourhood of Nanchang. — Central News.

SHANGHAI RELIEF

Shanghai, To-day.
A message received from the Chekiang Provincial Government says that the ban imposed by Chungking upon the export of native products to Japanese occupied territory does not apply to Shanghai as the city is not considered to be an area which has passed under the control of Japanese forces.
This notification has served to remove anxiety which the ban aroused in Shanghai's business and shipping circles. — Trans-Ocean.

ADVISERS AT CONFERENCE

London, To-day.
Lord Bearsted and Lord Reading will take part in the Palestine conference as unofficial advisers, it was announced here to-day.
Lord Bearsted is chairman of the Board of Directors of the Shell Oil Company. Lord Reading is the son of the late Marquis of Reading. — Trans-Ocean.

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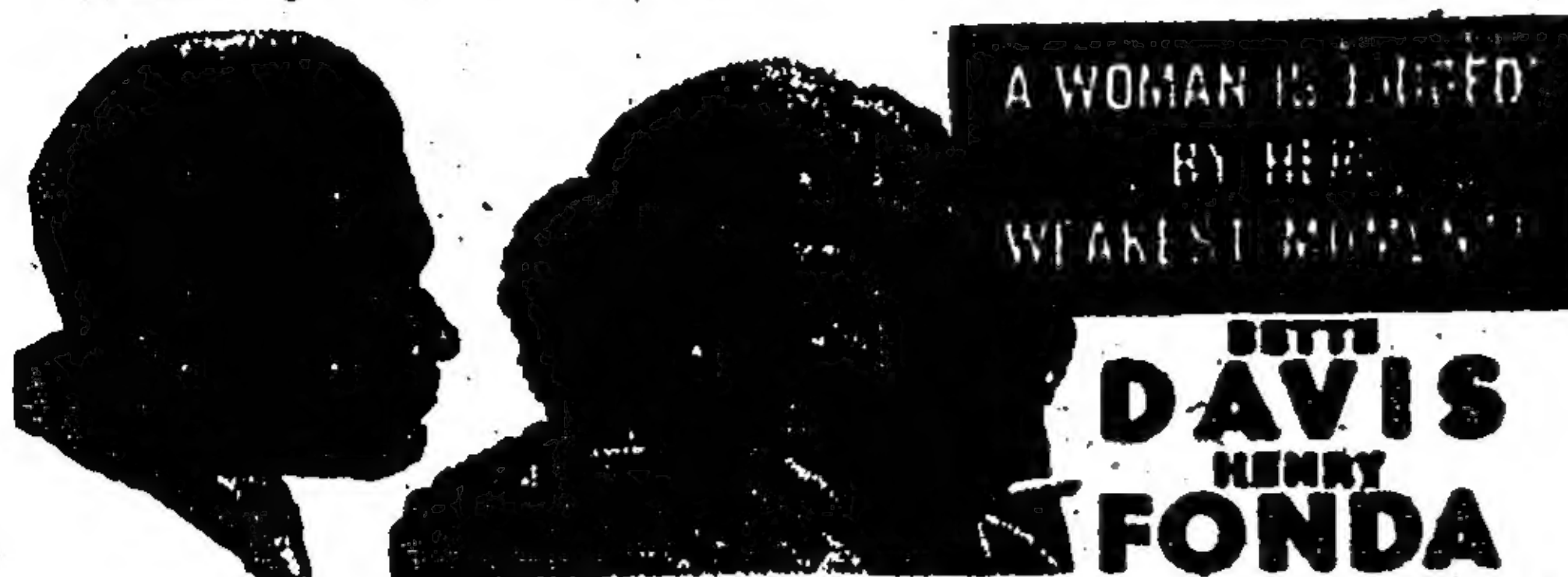
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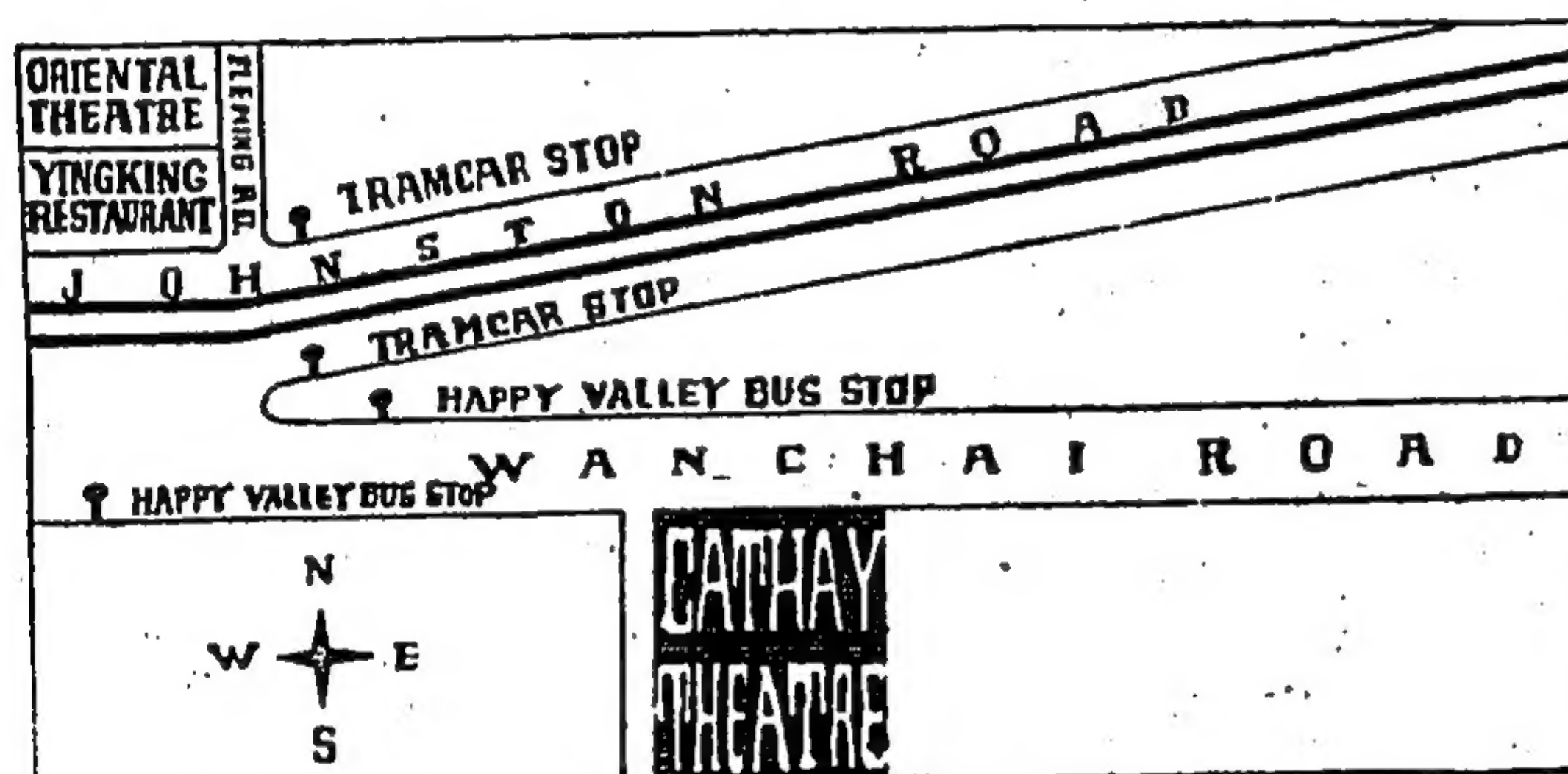
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MARSHAL WU PEI-FU NOT WON OVER TO JAPANESE VIEWPOINT

Peiping, To-day.

Marshal Wu Pei-fu, former Anfu warlord, whom the Japanese have several times announced to have gone over to their side, yesterday received foreign correspondents in his house, which was strongly guarded by Chinese and Japanese guards.

The veteran Marshal, however, failed to make his position clear.

He urged the benefits of peace, and went on to say that he had been asked by his Chinese and Japanese friends to come out and lead the peace movement.

"But to succeed I must have real power and the ability to enforce peace. There is no doubt that if I come out this movement will be a satisfactory reward."

NOT WON OVER

Judging by the somewhat unfavourable Japanese reaction to his remarks, Marshal Wu has not yet been won over.

A reliable source states that his demands include formation of a large Chinese army completely under his command and the return of real power in China to Chinese hands.

Indeed, one translation of Marshal Wu Pei-fu's statement yesterday morning, definitely includes the latter suggestion.—Reuter.

MESSAGE TO CHUNGKING Chungking, To-day.

The Central Government received a telegram from General Wu Pei-fu yesterday stating that he has not consented to join the Japanese and that he has no intention of doing so.

The telegram adds that recent reports stating that he has agreed to go over to the side of the Japanese are fabrications. — Our Own Correspondent.

A warrant for his arrest was issued by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen this morning when Kwong Chun, of Temple Street, failed to answer a summons for possession of a radio-set without a licence.

CZECH DIPLOMATIC RESHUFFLE

Prague, To-day.

The resignation of the Czechoslovak Minister to London, M. Jan Masaryk, has necessitated a general reshuffle in the Diplomatic Corps, in the course of which the Ministries in Berlin, Washington, Budapest and Bucharest will receive new diplomats.

It is also announced that the entire news service of the Prague Foreign Ministry will be reorganised. — Trans-Ocean.

CZECH RELATIONS WITH PORTUGAL

Prague, To-day.

Settlement of the Portuguese-Czechoslovak diplomatic conflict which occurred in the summer of 1937 and caused the rupture of diplomatic relations between the two countries is now imminent, according to a report in the Ceske Slovo.

Portugal broke off relations because the Skoda works failed to fulfil a contract for armaments after it had been concluded with the Portuguese Government. — Trans-Ocean.



Anna Neagle as Queen Victoria in the film "Sixty Glorious Years," opening on Friday at the Queen's and Alhambra.

Italy's Mediterranean Aims

France And Britain Attacked By Virgilio Gayda

"NECESSITY FOR EXPANSION"

Berlin, To-day.

Italy's Mediterranean aims were revealed by the Director of the "Giornale d'Italia," Senator Virgilio Gayda in a forceful article published yesterday in the German Hitler youth organ "Wille und Macht."

Emphasising that the Mediterranean has become the seaway of the Italian Empire in which "France is carrying on an aggressive policy against Germany and Italy," the writer declared "The imperialistic intention of France constitutes a threat to Europe and as result of her new sovereignty and necessity for expansion Italy is taking steps to counteract the French and British intentions to encircle and isolate her."

The Axis policy naturally directs the German interest to south-eastern Europe and the Italian to the Mediterranean, he declared.

England and France are both pursuing an anti-Italian policy in the Mediterranean, this having reached a climax during the Abyssinian war through which, however, Italy not only acquired territory but also won a political victory in the Mediterranean.

Admitting that under Mr. Chamberlain the British Government has adopted a more conciliatory tone the writer nevertheless insists that England is pursuing an intensive rearmament policy which also includes the Mediterranean.

BRITAIN IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

Following the Abyssinian war England was faced with the alternative of seeking a new route to India through or around Africa or concentrating forces in the Mediterranean to meet every opponent.

"There is a doubt but that England elected to follow the second course," he stated.

England regards the Mediterranean as a base for observing forces and movements of other powers and as an important factor in the colonial policy which has at its aim extending of its scope from the north coast of Africa to Cape Colony and of excluding other nations with the right to new colonies.

France pursues the same aims except in a more selfish manner, declared the writer.

"AGGRESSIVE" FRANCE

The Mediterranean provides the shortest route to the French colonies from which one and half a million black soldiers for waging war against Italy and Germany could be brought.

Such "imperialistic intentions" constitute a threat to Europe, contends the writer, and a movement of "black mobs" to Europe is a violation of all principles of European civilization.

France is concentrating her interests on the Mediterranean in an attempt to maintain her former position of domination of the continent, he stated, and for this reason is pursuing an aggressive policy against the two nations who as result of their national development are her greatest rivals, name-

ly Italy and Germany.

"GROWING MENACE"

Italy is not incapable of reacting to this anti-Italian policy, declared Signor Gayda in referring to the Italian army and her solidarity with Germany, to the Italian agreement with Yugo-Slavia and the "policy of friendship, respect, and co-operation being pursued with the Arabs."

The Italian policy is one of defence against British and French aggression, he declared.

Whereas the French and the British colonies possess only military and political character, Italy is confronted with the problem of accommodating a surplus population and for this reason she must protect her national interests in the Mediterranean against the growing menace.—Trans-Ocean.

H.K. POLICE HOLD RE-UNION DINNER IN LONDON

A re-union dinner of past and present members of the Hong Kong Police Force, the first of a proposed annual function, was held recently in London at "The Monaco," Piccadilly Circus, and was attended by a large number of police officers now on pension.

Its success has assured that the dinner will be an annual affair to be held during December each year.

Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, former Captain Superintendent of Police, Mr. D. Burlingham, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Mr. T. Murphy of the C.I.D., Chief Inspector Reynolds, Traffic Inspector C. F. Alexander, Inspector J. McKay, were among the old members present and others included L. Tyler, E. Ellis, R. MacDougal, Chester-Woods, C. Pain, G. Goddard, F. E. Russell, T. Hoare, B. Hutching, T. Haynes, T. Penfold, R. Shannon and J. Hodge.

Tung Yuk-sau, aged 17, was admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday, suffering from a bullet wound, sustained when Japanese planes raided the Shumchun District.

NO DESPAIR COUNSEL TO JEWS

Jerusalem, To-day.
Before leaving for London with other Jewish leaders for the Palestine talks, Chief Rabbi Herzog issued a statement to Palestine Jews urging prayers for the mission and counselling "no despair."
—Reuter.

LARGE GOVT. GRANT TO TUNG WAH HOSPITAL

Supplementary estimates totalling \$1,261,126 and \$437,447 will be submitted to the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council to-morrow for approval.

The largest item, however, is in the nature of a book entry concerning building loans totalling \$312,642. This is in accordance with instructions from the Secretary of State that loans for fixed periods should be met from voted moneys and not from surplus funds. Repayments will be brought to account as revenue. Similarly with \$743,021 in the form of unallocated stores, transferred from Suspense Accounts to Expenditure Accounts.

A sum of \$1,995 represents the Government's share in the cost of the Colony's exhibit at the Glasgow Exhibition.

An additional grant of \$150,000 to meet the deficit in the finances of the Tung Wah Hospital is proposed.

A sum of \$25,000 is requested to cover various expenses in connection with the Sino-Japanese conflict, including the cost of the internment of Chinese soldiers.

GOVERNMENT DECLINES TO BAN IMMIGRATION

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE HOME SECRETARY, SIR SAMUEL HOARE, IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY DECLINED TO ACCEPT THE SUGGESTION OF A GENERAL PROHIBITION OF FOREIGN IMMIGRATION INTO GREAT BRITAIN.

The suggestion was made in the form of a question by Conservative members who pointed out that there are to-day about two million unemployed in England and that the country is consequently not in a position to offer hospitality to paupers from abroad.

Sir Samuel stated that rigorous selection would continue to be operated among the foreigners seeking admission many of whom, however, were able to find employment as domestic servants or create new undertakings which in their turn could give work to other immigrants.—Trans-Ocean.

CHINESE COMMENT ON HITLER SPEECH

Commenting upon Hitler's speech at the Reichstag in a leading article to-day, the local "Sing Tao Jih Pao" charges the German leader with again openly insulting the Chinese nation when he referred to Japan's war of aggression in China.

Hitler stated in this regard that "the Japanese nation, which in the last two years has set so many examples of glorious heroism, is undoubtedly fighting in the service of civilisation at the other side of the world."

The paper deems it regretful that as head of a nation, Hitler should openly describe Japan's ruthless invasion in China and its attendant brutality in such terms.

The state and nation above everything has been slogan of the Nazis. Now that China is fighting for national existence and independence, the Nazis should at least maintain their neutrality, the paper says.

MILITARY ALLIANCE

The paper also calls attention to Hitler's declaration that "if Italy has a war, Germany will be by her side." This indicates that the Rome-Berlin axis has become a formal military alliance which is beyond the professed scope of the Anti-Comintern Pact, the paper says.

Endorsing the observations of Madame Tabouis, famous French woman journalist, the paper believes that Hitler will support Mussolini's territorial demands to France, thus aggravating the European situation, and will take the opportunity to grab back Germany's former colonies.—Central News.

POSSESSION OF DYNAMITE

Li Sang, a 24-year-old fisherman, was this morning charged at the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. E. H. Msworth with having in his possession or under his care, one-half stick of dynamite, and two detonators while fishing at Sung Wong Toi, Kowloon City, on January 31.

It was stated that defendant had hidden the goods in some nearby dirt, but it had been discovered by a detective who had noticed the looseness of the soil. Accused had been convicted twice previously, and was sentenced to six weeks imprisonment.

FATAL ACCIDENT

A fatal accident occurred shortly after noon to-day in Queen's Road East when a motor bus, No. 641, killed a 8-year-old girl, who was crossing the road accompanied by her aunt.

The aunt escaped.

Captain W. C. Newton, of the Middlesex Regiment, has reported the loss of a signal pistol, a M.G. bell box and 120 rounds of ammunition, somewhere between Buffalo Pass and Tait's Path.

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AN UNEXPECTED BLESSING

"Max, I've decided to leave you," Pamela said.

Max did not take his eye from the speedometer needle. It was flickering around the 70 mark. It went up to 71 then to 72. Ahead the road lay straight and black beneath the glaring Arizona sun. Max had always felt that the old bus could do 80; this was the first opportunity he had had to find out.

After an interval in which neither of them spoke, Pamela went on: "At first I thought it was going to be fun being married to an author, being able to travel around and live where we pleased and have people point us out. Now I know what a fool I was to think that an author was any different from an ordinary man."

"That's the trouble with women," Max said. "They're idealists." The speedometer needle had touched 73, but slipped back to 72 again. He decided he'd been wrong about the car being able to do 80. It would be dangerous to try, even on a road like this.

"It's man's fault if they are," Pamela said bitterly. "You made me think our lives were going to be

"You. You made the odds. I thought if I kept plugging you'd understand and help, realizing why I was doing it. But that thought never entered your pretty little head. You were too concerned about making an impression on your vacant-faced chums."

Pamela bit her lip. She was puzzled, curiously frustrated, annoying aware that things were not going as she had expected. She looked at her husband again, started to speak, but he interrupted:

"Well, it doesn't matter now. It's all over. At last we understand each other. Relief, eh!"

"Max!" She shouted the word, her eyes suddenly wide with terror. They had come to the foothills of the mountains, shot around a curve, and directly in their path stood a huge oil truck, its rear end, jacked up.

Pamela's eyes dropped to the speedometer. The needle rested at 80, and suddenly, in a rush of vividness, she was aware of many things: The speed at which they were traveling, the fact that Max was unaware of that speed, the imminence of death. She had no further time to think or analyze. Max swore, sounding like

By Barbara Ann Benedict

different." She laughed suddenly, and it had a peculiarly hard sound. "Why, for the past five years I've been nothing but a widow. You and your stories! Ha! Success isn't worth the price at any cost. It was a revelation to find out I didn't count, that nothing counted in your life but whether a character was acting as you thought he ought to act. The only time I amounted to anything was when you wanted to get a feminine reaction to some silly plot idea you had."

"You'd laugh if you knew how right you were," Max said. The speedometer needle had jumped to 75. The purple range of mountains they had been aiming at all morning were more distinct. "Anyhow, it's a swell dramatic situation. I decided two weeks ago to leave you."

"Oh?" She glanced at him sideways, trying to conceal her astonishment.

"Sure," he said. "There's two sides to every story. While I was plugging along, trying to lift myself by my bootstraps and hit the better magazines, what were you up to? Amusing yourself by playing around with a lot of silly, empty-headed nincompoops."

The realization that he had noticed, amazed her, yet she managed to get a sting into her reply. "I'll thank you to be more respectful when speaking of my friends."

"Friends! Ha! It's no compliment to you to boast such friends."

"At least they're sincere. They're not vain and stubborn and egotistical."

"Meaning that I'm vain and stubborn and egotistical? Well, maybe you're right. Maybe that's what kept me going those years when I discovered how the odds were stacked against me."

"Odds?"

a man who had abruptly been startled into awareness. Pamela was aware of the car swerving sharply, of the screeching of brakes, of a man wildly waving his arms and scrambling for the safety of the roadside. Then, beyond the car's hood, was emptiness, space. She had a sense of having the road drop from beneath them, of the hurtling downward. There was a crash, a continued series of crashes that grew dimmer and dimmer and finally vanished entirely.

"Take me to him. Take me to Max." Pamela knew suddenly it was her own voice speaking the words, that she had been speaking them for hours. A white-clad figure standing above her materialized into a nurse. She tried to sit up, but the effort was too much. "Is he—is he—"

"Fine. You were both lucky. Oh, so very lucky. Yes, of course you can see him. But first you must sleep."

"No! No! I must see him now. Let me—"

A door opened. Two attendants wheeled in a table. A doctor came behind, smiling.

"It's no good," the doctor said. "I couldn't do a thing with him until I let him see his wife. How is she?"

Pamela didn't hear the nurse's reply. She heard only Max, saw only him, the anguish in his eyes as he raised his head to look at her.

"Darling, you know now. I was stubborn. I had to tell you that I had decided—my vanity wouldn't let me admit that I—I still love you. And the car—I was sure it would do 80. Darling, can you—will you forgive?"

The doctor smiled at the nurse, the nurse smiled at the doctor. They tipped out. Being experts in the study of humanity they understood. Sometimes accidents were blessings.

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HITLER'S SPEECH

Creates Favourable Impression In France

Important Proviso Regarding Aid To Italy

Paris, To-day.

The Fuehrer's speech before the Reichstag yesterday has created a favourable impression in France mainly in view of the manner in which the Fuehrer dealt with the Mediterranean problem and the Spanish issue.

Another passage in the speech has been well received here is that in which he said that Germany has no intention of placing difficulties in the way of the British Empire or France.

No attempt, however, is made to hide the fact that Hitler has again put forward the categorical demand for colonial room for Germany as well as for Italy. That Italy can rely on the course, regarded here as rely on the assistance of Germany is, of course, regarded here as one of the main points if not the main point of the speech as far as France is concerned. The French newspapers this morning publish lengthy excerpts from the speech. Three points of the speech are emphasized:

Germany's colonial claims, Germany's need to export, and How far Germany is prepared to go in support of the Italian claims on France.

"Le Matin" says that the speech brought no surprises but rather presented the cardinal points of the German foreign policy.

NOTHING TO EMBARRASS

The Conservative press on the whole welcome the speech mainly on the grounds it would appear that the Fuehrer said nothing likely to embarrass still further international relations.

Some of the Socialist newspapers, on the other hand, contend that Hitler refrained from defining the exact nature of the Italo-German relations "Populaire" for instance says that Hitler spoke of going to Italy's assistance only in the event of Italy being attacked and adds that nobody in France would ever dream of making war on Italy.

"Humanite" sees in Hitler's declaration of solidarity with Mussolini a further proof that the Berlin-Rome axis is adopting an attitude of hostility towards France. —Trans-Ocean.

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ITALY LISTENS-IN

Rome, To-day.

Millions of Italians listened to Hitler's Reichstag speech which was broadcast over all Italian stations.

In view of the strain imposed on Franco-Italian relations during the last few days, that passage in Hitler's speech in which he said that if attacked Italy would find Germany at her side, naturally aroused wild scenes of enthusiasm.

Political circles here regard the speech as confirming anew the unshakeable solidarity of the Rome-Berlin axis. —Trans-Ocean.

U.S. COMMENT

Washington, To-day.

With flare headlines such as "Hitler Warns Western Powers," "Hands Off Germany," extra editions of the leading American newspapers containing the full text of the Reichstag speech were on sale in the streets early yesterday evening. Much is made of Hitler's repudiation of any right of the United States to interfere in Germany's dealings with Latin American countries.

Official quarters withhold comment. —Trans-Ocean.

TENSION LESSENER

London, To-day.

Hitler's speech has, on the whole, created a favourable echo as it served to explode alarming rumours about the probable contents of the speech.

It is pointed out that the Fuehrer has left the door open for negotiations, although regret is expressed that "Hitler has built no bridges with a view to surmounting those difficulties arising out of the present relations between individual countries."

Most London papers make a banner headline of Hitler's prophecy, "We are entering upon a long period of peace."

The "Daily Express" says that Mr. Chamberlain should seize upon the first opportunity to tackle the colonial problem and, as England was made the trustee of the former German colonies, she is under moral obligation to take the initiative in this matter. For the rest, the paper contends that Hitler did not commit himself to back Italy's claims. Hence there is no reason for undue alarm.

The "News Chronicle" says Britain is prepared to discuss the colonial problem as part of a general settlement of international relations provided it is taken in conjunction with a move for

FRANCE AND MR. CHAMBERLAIN

Paris, To-day.

Mr. Chamberlain's speech in the House of Commons has been warmly received in France, especially the fact that he emphasized the collaboration of France and Britain.

The speech is regarded as a useful contribution to appeasement. —Reuter.

DUTCH VIEW OF SPEECH

Amsterdam, To-day.

Dutch official and political circles showed special interest in those parts of Chancellor Hitler's speech which dealt with foreign policy particularly those sentences mentioning Holland.

Hitler's words dealing with Holland were noted with satisfaction as an assurance that Germany has full understanding for the anxiety felt in Holland as a result of the British press allegations charging Germany with aggressive plans against Holland. It is now generally felt after Hitler's pronouncements that Germany is determined to respect Holland's traditional independence policy.

The paper "Telegraaf" asserts that Hitler's speech has definitely put an end to all rumours spread in England alleging Germany's intention to attack Holland.

The paper also stresses in its comments Hitler's pledge for peaceful cooperation as a sound contribution to general European peace. —Trans-Ocean.

FASCIST ORDER

Rome, To-day.

The Secretary-General of the Fascist Party, Signor Starace, issued an instruction yesterday to post in all offices and gathering centres of the Fascist Party throughout Italy those parts of Hitler's speech which dealt with Italo-German relations and the German promise to be at Italy's side in event of conflict. —Trans-Ocean.

CHUNGKING H.Q. CLOSED DOWN

Chungking, To-day.

The Generalissimo's Provisional Headquarters at Chungking closed down yesterday as it was no longer necessary after the removal of the National Military Council to the war-time capital.

A Generalissimo's Provisional Headquarters on a smaller scale, however, will be established at Chengtu. —Central News.

limitation of armaments. England is not prepared, it adds, to make Germany a present of its former colonies.

Hitler's speech, writes Vernon Bartlett in the same paper, has done a lot to lessen international tension and will be read with a sense of relief in the Democratic countries. —Trans-Ocean.

STORY OF ALLEGED FORGED RECEIPT

Ka Sai-man, alias Ka Tung, 25, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards this morning, with uttering with intent to defraud, forged receipt for the sale of a motor car, purporting to be signed by D. Davies.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ pleaded not guilty on defendant's behalf.

Mr. D. Davies, chief clerk of the Colonial Secretary's Office, said his car was traded in to Gilman's nearly a year ago.

A Chinese gentleman visited his office some time ago and asked him whether his car was sold, and when he said "No," the man produced a receipt with his name on it. The receipt was not signed by him.

A Chinese, who was present on behalf of complainant, gave evidence and said that on November 18, he met defendant who told him he had a car for sale. He tried the car with complainant and a bargain was struck at the price of \$690.

Next day, defendant came to his office and produced a receipt and the licence book of the car, and then asked for loan of the car for two days, which was agreed. Defendant was not seen again.

After making inquiries, he reported the matter to the Police.

The case was adjourned.

THE WEATHER OF JANUARY

The Director of the Royal Observatory reports that weather during January showed no unusual features.

Cloudy skies prevailed during the first week of the month, and there was a short cold spell on the 6th and 7th. The remainder of the month was mainly sunny, with normal temperatures. The long spell of extremely dry weather which prevailed during the early winter was at last broken, and rain fell on 7 days during January.

The mean temperature for the month was 60.4 deg. F, which is within 1 deg. of the normal. A maximum of 73.6 deg. was recorded on the 30th and a minimum of 49.9 deg. on the 6th. The mean relative humidity was 79%, against a normal of 75%.

Sunshine amounted to 130 hours, which is 15 hours less than normal. The total rainfall was 1.10 inches, against a normal of 1.25 inches.

The maximum wind velocity in a gust was 39 m.p.h. at 6.35 a.m. on the 5th.


VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

Brussels, To-day.

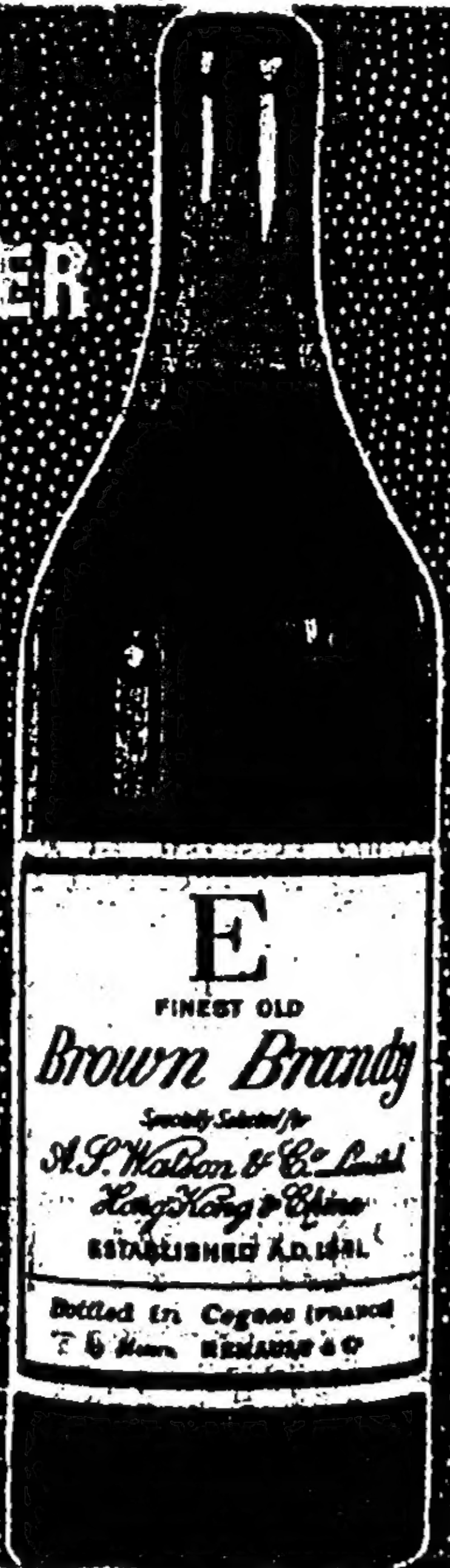
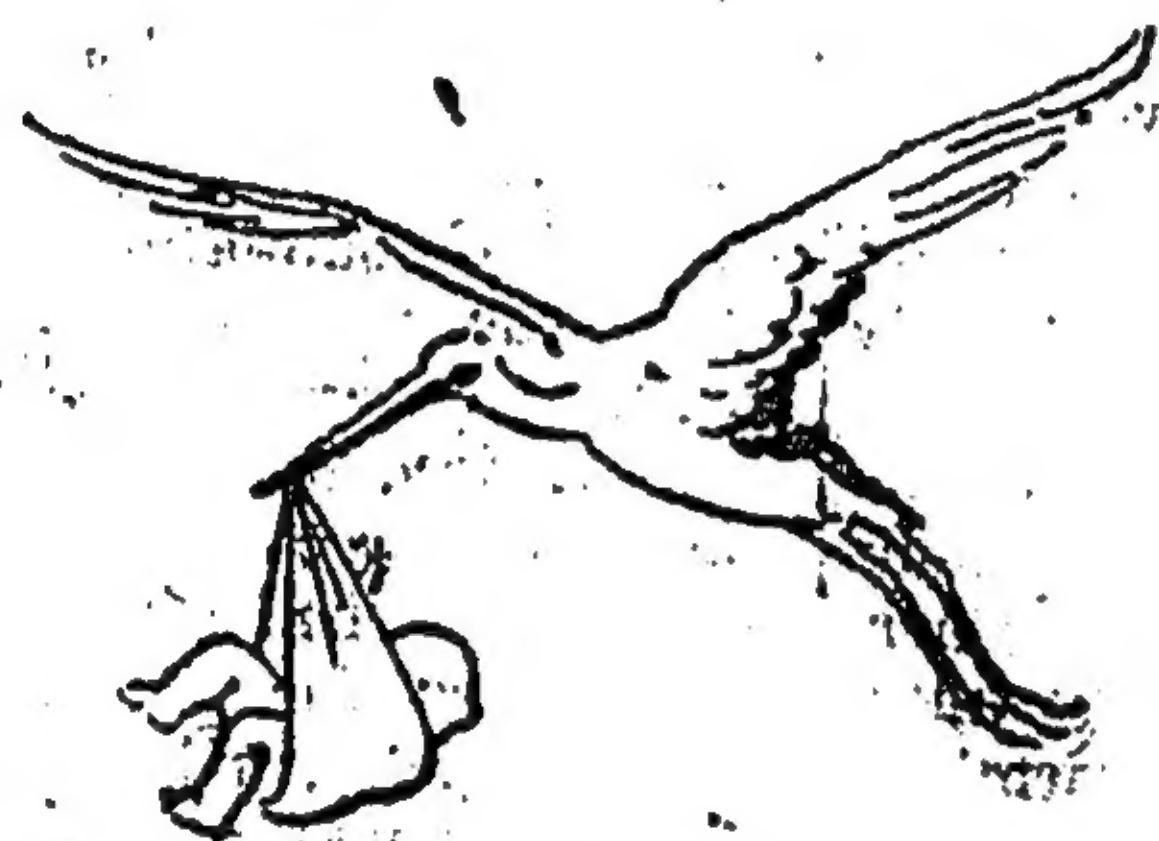
A motion of want of confidence in the Spaak Cabinet brought in by the Communist Party was defeated in the Chamber yesterday by 123 votes to 20.

Twenty-seven Deputies abstained from voting. —Trans-Ocean.

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THE REFUGEE PROBLEM

The feeling of civilised people everywhere in the world, and not least in England, has been roused by the sufferings of victims persecuted for their birth or beliefs by Governments from which they would flee but cannot. Private generosity has been stirred, and relief funds, such as that of the Lord Mayor of London for the Czech refugees and that of Lord Baldwin for the German, have mounted high. But it must not be forgotten, that the problem is too immense to be solved by private persons and that their money, though immediately necessary for the relief of hardship, is not enough to perfect a work which can only succeed with much Governmental assistance. The problem of the refugees is that of finding them new homes. It has hardly been attacked as yet, but we may be certain that when emigration policies are put before the world there will be found, beside the sympathy which was shown this Christmas, some opposition, which will spring partly from prejudice and partly from ignorance of the economic issues involved. When a million people are driven from their own countries and have to make their living in others, it is natural for their new neighbours to suspect that their own livelihoods may be threatened. This simple fear weighs heavily upon Governments, and it is not hard to imagine how it could be made to press upon the peoples under them. Such criticism has been anticipated and met in Mrs. Roden Buxton's pamphlet "The Economics of the Refugee Problem".

It will be argued that because Great Britain has many unemployed the settlement of refugees would increase this problem and add to the distress of our own people. This argument might

impress, but it is fallacious, and, as Sir Norman Angell says in his introduction to Mrs. Buxton's pamphlet, "one against which almost every competent economist in the country has protested." A new resident who finds work is not merely a producer but a spender, and spending makes employment. Our greatest unemployment lies in industries which would hardly be affected by emigrant labour, while elsewhere its special skills would be valuable. The Empire has its empty spaces; that there is unemployment in some parts of it bears no relation to the fact that Australia, with six million people, has been said to need twenty-nine millions if that Dominion is to be properly developed. Further, it is useful to consider the trends of our population, which the writers of "The Population Problem" maintain faces a sudden decline over the next century to a small part of what it is to-day. The cure was expressed by one of the five writers:

A return to large families, or great and continued emigration from abroad. Either or both of these can save the country from ultimate depopulation, but nothing else.

The economic effects of a decline in the numbers of those who consume what industry produces can easily be foreseen. The facts and arguments gathered together by Mrs. Roden Buxton go far to proving that the Government which adopts a liberal policy towards refugee immigration shows not only compassion but good sense and a wise regard for its own interests.

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The Talk of the Day

"I am beginning to look upon conversation as a lost art," commented Mr. Jeffery Farnol, the well-known English author, in a recent interview. Many people, comparing their experiences, as Mr. Farnol compared his experience, with the picture obtained by reading the English classics, and, one might add, with what is recorded of the table talk of the past, would come to the same conclusion. In spite of the fact that the spoken word has encroached to a considerable extent on the former preserves of the written word, that modern inventions have enabled the world at large to emulate the diplomats in substituting "conversations" for "notes," talk appears to have declined as an aesthetic occupation.

Yet one hesitates to see in this only a lamentable result of the speeding up of existence, of the lack of sufficient leisure, and of the competition of new distractions. What Stevenson called "the grand jury of the talkers" is as much in evidence as ever; and if the members of it are less concerned with the artistic merit of their performances, less set upon astonishing with their rhetoric, delighting with their eloquence, and "keeping the table in a roar," they are perhaps the more in earnest — more inclined to make it "stable talk" rather than an entertaining jugglery with words.

In fact, if conversation is losing its art there is reason to think that it is becoming more responsible; and although the perfect combination is obviously one of brilliance and earnestness; that has never been a widespread phenomenon, and the present situation can hardly, in contrast with the past, be reckoned altogether deplorable.

LIBERAL DISTRUST OF PREMIER'S POLICY

GERMAN PRESS PRAISES HITLER SPEECH

Berlin, To-day.

"Change in the attitude of London," "Freed from Nightmare," "World Extraordinarily Impressed" and similar headlines appear in the Berlin newspapers over despatches about the reception of Hitler's Reichstag speech abroad.

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" says that the right word at the right moment has been spoken as the German contribution to Europe's reorganisation.

"We must wait eagerly and see if and how the lines of Germany's foreign policy are accepted by other states."

WARNING TO WORLD

"Lokal Anzeiger" warns the world against misinterpreting Hitler's speech.

The journal says: "Great problems have in no way lost anything of their severity and urgency of force."

"They have, however, been brought forward in a way which has placed our opponents from the start in a bad position, and this has been felt precisely by that power which had the presumption to consider the distribution of the world as its own business, namely England." — Reuter.

BAN ON JEWISH DENTISTS

Berlin, To-day.

Another step in the exclusion of Jews from German economic life occurs to-day, after which no Jewish dentists are allowed to practise in Germany.

Actually, about one-third of the 120 Jewish dentists in Berlin have been informed that they would receive temporary permission to continue practising. — Reuter.

ANGLO-GERMAN BUSINESS TALKS

Berlin, To-day.

It is learnt in well-informed circles that the conversations between representatives of British and German industry will open in Düsseldorf on February 28.

Main matter to be discussed will be questions of price, with special reference to machinery and coal. — Reuter.

AIRCRAFT FACTORY IN EGYPT

Cairo, To-day.

A British Commission of engineering experts are expected to arrive here in the next few days to study the possibility of erecting a factory to build bodies of military airplanes. The factory would be erected with the aid of British capital. — Trans-Ocean.

Sir Archibald Sinclair (Liberal), speaking in the foreign affairs debate in the House of Commons yesterday, was of opinion that although there was no ground for defeatism there was a certain distrust of the Government's policy.

While on one side we were rearming we were losing abroad the support of vital powerful forces on which only a few months ago we could have relied to help us to resist aggression.

The Rome-Berlin Axis was now to be seen across the map of Europe—a geographical and strategical reality dividing west Europe from east Europe.

Britain must show that it is neither ashamed nor afraid to take a stand for freedom and international goodwill.

We wanted the help of the Germans and Italians and all other peoples in establishing a world order which would be just, fair and righteous.

CREDIT SIDE

Sir Archibald Sinclair concluded by saying that Mr. Chamberlain had put one item on the credit side of peace.

He was convinced that a large part of the German and Italian people were people of goodwill and peaceful intentions, and not only himself but all his supporters in Great Britain.

Both in Germany and Italy there were a large number of people who saw in Mr. Chamberlain and his umbrella the symbols of decency, tolerance and quietness, which contrast favourably with the noise and self-assertiveness of the governors of totalitarian states.

WITH CONTEMPT

Mr. Arthur Greenwood (Labour), winding up for the Opposition, declared that 130 British ships had been attacked by the Franco forces, and British protests were received with contempt.

Intervention had been intensified and the British Government took the extraordinary position that the supply of arms to the Spanish Government side might precipitate war, whilst the use of the undisguised power of Germany and Italy on Franco's side would procure peace.

It was fantastic to suggest that the mass of arms in the possession of General Franco had been captured.

DANGER OF WAR

They had been provided by the two states with which the Prime Minister was in such friendly association.

The danger of war, Mr. Greenwood declared, lay with only two men—Hitler and Mussolini. — Reuter.

DR. KUNG'S NEW APPOINTMENT

Dr. H. H. Kung, China's Minister of Finance, has been appointed, concurrently, Chairman of the Executive Yuan.

The post was made vacant by Mr. Wang Ching-wei, who has been expelled.

London, To-day.

DEMONSTRATORS HOLD UP LONDON TRAFFIC

London, To-day.

Hundreds of extra police were drafted to Tottenham Court Road yesterday when thousands participated in an "arms for Spain" demonstration.

The crowds listened to speeches criticising the Government's foreign policy, particularly regarding Spain.

Fifty members of the International Brigade, who had just returned from Spain, marched to the meeting singing revolutionary songs.

The demonstration later walked round Piccadilly for an hour, crying "Arms for Spain."

Traffic was suspended and a number of arrests made. — Reuter.

BRITISH ASSISTANCE FOR CHINA

London, To-day.

The Marquess of Zetland, Secretary of State for India, in a speech at Cambridge yesterday, said there was no doubt that Parliament would grant a credit to China.

He added that they had under consideration further methods for granting China assistance. — Reuter.

FRENCH APPEAL TO BRITAIN TO AID REFUGEES

London, To-day.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replying for the Government in the foreign affairs debate in the House of Commons yesterday, announced that the French Government had appealed to Britain to offer help on an enormous scale to feed and shelter the Spanish refugees who had crossed the French frontier.

Britain had replied that she proposes to offer further help as the need develops.

Mr. Butler declared that the British Government was not responsible for the actions of other governments. "We have strictly observed our own non-intervention undertakings!"

The Government motion for adjournment on which the debate took place was carried by 258 votes to 133. — Reuter.

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HONG KONG.

Mr. Chamberlain's Outline Of Conversations In Rome

Berlin-Rome Axis Essential Point In Policy

Italy To Stand Loyal To Agreement

London, To-day.

Reporting in the House of Commons yesterday on his visit to Rome, Mr. Neville Chamberlain said the conversations with Italian statesmen were conducted in an atmosphere of complete frankness.

It was not expected that either side would accept all the arguments and points of view presented by the other, but although they were unable to report that they were in agreement on all points, they did achieve their purpose.

When the conversations were over, each side had a clearer insight than before regarding the other's standpoint.

After reiterating that the discussions were exploratory and informal, Mr. Chamberlain added:

"Mussolini first and foremost made it clear that the policy of Italy was one of peace and that he would gladly use his influence in favour of it if at any time the necessity arose.

"Our hosts also made it clear that the Berlin-Rome Axis was an essential point in their foreign policy.

"We on our part made it equally plain that close co-operation between Great Britain and France was the basis of British policy."

ANGLO-ITALIAN AGREEMENT

Regarding the Mediterranean, Mr. Chamberlain said that Mussolini expressed satisfaction over the terms of the Anglo-Italian Agreement, and repeated emphatically Italy's intention to stand loyally by her obligations under the Agreement.

They agreed to proceed forthwith with mutual discussion of adjustment of boundaries between Italian East Africa, on the one hand, and the Sudan and British adjacent territories, on the other, as provided for in the Anglo-Italian Agreement.

As far as the Sudan was concerned the Egyptian Government would naturally participate in the forthcoming negotiations.

SPAIN THE BARRIER

"We made no concealment of our regret that Italy's relations with France should recently have deteriorated.

"It was clear to us from subsequent discussion that the great barrier between France and Italy was the Spanish question, and that until that was over no negotiations between the two countries was likely to be productive.

"At the same time Mussolini emphasised that when the Spanish conflict was over, Italy would have nothing to ask from Spain, and Count Ciano (the Italian Foreign Minister) spontaneously reaffirmed the assertion already given to the British Government that Italy had no

territorial ambitions as regards any portion of Spanish territory.

"Regarding disarmament, Mussolini favoured approach to the question by way of qualitative limitation in the first instance when conditions were more favourable for its discussion.

VISIT TO POPE

"We agreed to keep in touch with each other regarding future developments in this question.

"Regarding the Jewish question, Mussolini felt the matter was an internal one which could not be solved by any one State alone, and must be treated on broad lines".

Referring to his visit to the Pope, Mr. Chamberlain said: "It was a privilege which I will not easily forget to hear from the lips of His Holiness expressions of admiration and affection which he entertained for the King and Queen and the people of the British Empire.

"I was deeply moved by the courage and humanity which animated his bearing and outlook."

BRITISH PRESTIGE

Continuing, Mr. Chamberlain said: "We are beginning now to see the results of the long preparations for rearmament and on all sides the public is realising that our efforts have resulted in enormous additions to our defensive strength.

"Our prestige abroad has never stood higher than it does to-day, and there never was a time when our friendship was more eagerly desired by other countries.

"It is not true, as Mr. Attlee has said, that the policy of appeasement has failed. On the contrary, I maintain that it is steadily increasing.

RELATIONS WITH FRANCE

"Our visit to Rome has, I hope, strengthened the friendship between this country and Italy, but at the same time it has not weakened our relations with France, which are perhaps closer and more intimate than they have been in our recollection, and more than that they are based now upon mutual confidence which multiplies itself many times over."—Reuter.

PEOPLE'S DEMONSTRATION

British Wireless says that the Prime Minister referred to the

R.A.F. TRAGEDY IN EGYPT

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry announces that a naval lieutenant is dead and five are missing, believed dead, as a result of a collision off Alexandria on Monday between two aircraft of No. 825 Squadron, attached to the aircraft-carrier H.M.S. Glorious.

The missing include two naval lieutenants.—Reuter.

warmth and spontaneity of the reception given to him and the Foreign Secretary in which the Roman populace demonstrated their pleasure at the renewal of Anglo-Italian friendship and their approval of the British efforts for maintenance of peace.

Signor Mussolini, said Mr. Chamberlain, did not hesitate to express the view that belligerent rights should immediately be granted to General Franco, but he reiterated his willingness to stand by the British plan which had been adopted by the non-intervention committee.

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA

The Premier mentioned that other subjects touched on in the Rome discussions were the guarantee to Czecho-Slovakia, disarmament and the Jewish problem.

Regarding the first, Mussolini had indicated in principle that he was prepared to accept the idea of a guarantee of the frontiers of Czecho-Slovakia against unprovoked aggression but he thought there were three questions that had first to be settled, namely the internal constitution of Czecho-Slovakia itself, establishment of her neutrality and delimitation of frontiers on the ground.

JEWISH SETTLEMENT IN BRITISH GUIANA

London, To-day.

The Secretary for Colonies, Mr. Malcolm McDonald, announced in the House of Commons yesterday that as a result of an agreement with the United States a mixed Anglo-American commission had been formed to deliberate ways and means to help Jewish refugees in colonisation plans in British Guiana.

The commission, consisting of six Americans and two Englishmen, is expected to arrive in British Guiana in the middle of February.—Trans-Ocean.

WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone has merged into a fresh anticyclone which has formed over North China. A depression is moving northeastward across the Sea of Japan.

Local forecast:—N. E. winds, fresh; cloudy.

PREMIER ON THE CHINA SITUATION

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE PRIME MINISTER, MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN, WAS QUESTIONED ON THE SITUATION IN CHINA IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY.

He said the only significant development in recent weeks had been the announcement by the Japanese Government on December 22 of the revised peace terms they were prepared to offer, and the Chinese Government's rejection thereof.

No important change had occurred in the military situation, though in North China increased guerilla activity had resulted in some temporary interruption of railway traffic.—Reuter.

CHINA LOSES VOLUNTEER COMMANDER

Sian, To-day.

China lost a veteran Manchurian volunteer commander in the person of General Wang Teh-lin who passed away at his native place Ishui, Shantung, on December 20 last year at the age of 64, according to belated information from the war area.

General Wang was ranked with Generals Ma Chan-shan, Su Pin-wen and Li Tu as the four foremost volunteer commanders in Manchuria. After the outbreak of the Mukden Incident on September 18, 1931, he organised a National Salvation Army in Kirin to oppose Japanese aggression. He was soon joined by thousands of patriotic compatriots and in seven months his army exceeded 30,000 strong which fought against the Japanese.

Later, he organised his army into three divisions to engage in the work of paralysing Japanese army communication on the three strategic railways, the C.E.R., the Ki-Tun and the Tien-Tu Railways. He was responsible for many wrecks of Japanese troop trains.

FORCED INTO RUSSIA

When the Japanese launched their general offensive against Chinese volunteers in North Manchuria in the winter of 1932, he was forced to retire into Soviet territory together with Generals Ma Chan-shan, Li Tu, and Su Pin-sen after the exhaustion of military supplies. He returned to China by way of Europe in 1934.

After the outbreak of the Lukou-chiao Incident on July 7, 1937, he fled in disguise from Peiping to his native place Ishui in Shantung, where he later organised guerilla units to harass the Japanese.—Central News.

News Snack Bar



Roedean School, Brighton, most famous of all girls' schools in England, if not the world, is leading the entire country in A.R.P. It is probably the first school to complete its A.R.P. organisation and this has been done with such thoroughness and effect that it is possible to evacuate the pupils and entire staff, in all nearly 500, to the trenches and dug-outs in seven minutes. There is over 1,000 feet of trenches, well built underground shelters complete with main water supply, electric lighting and drainage. There are also first-aid posts, pegs for clothes and gas masks and shelves where girls can keep books and games. Photo shows girls of Roedean School, in their picturesque cloaks, entering the underground trench-shelters.

PRESENTED FROM COURT

From London police courts: Man at Highgate: I heard him say, "I was expecting a fight. I left my bedroom door open. I always leave it open when I expect a fight."

"Woman at Twickenham: When he came near me I screamed for all I was worth. It was a very quiet scream."

Witness at Willesden: It would appear that this man's furniture is settled upon his mother-in-law. She seems to have a big say in his life.

NEW 'WOOL' COMES FROM SEAWEED

Synthetic wool from seaweed is the latest process devised in Japan's fight to overcome war-time shortage of raw materials.

Its inventor is Tadayuki Goda of the Toho Artificial Fibre Company. Now a holding company is being formed with a capital of \$290,000 to manufacture the product.

A factory, being built in north-eastern Japan, will turn out five tons of seaweed-wool a day.

The cost of manufacturing the new product will, it is claimed, be less than that for making synthetic wool out of staple fibre. Seaweed can be collected cheaply in Japan and is in inexhaustible quantities.

ROMANCE



Engagement is announced of Miss Doreen Butler Henderson, younger daughter of the Hon. Eric and Mrs. Butler Henderson, of Faccombe Manor, Andover (Hants), to Mr. John Gordon Wordsworth, elder son of the Rev. C. W. and Mrs. Wordsworth, of the Rectory, Coddenham, Ipswich. An uncle of Lord Faringdon, the Hon. Eric Henderson was High Sheriff of Northants in 1929.

COUNTESS HURT IN HUNT FALL

The Countess of Rosebury was taken to the Royal Bucks Hospital at Aylesbury suffering from a fractured foot received in a fall while she was riding with the Pytchley. Her horse rolled on her.

SWOPPING CAMERAS FOR COAL, AND RADIOS FOR ALE

Paris has adopted the idea of a salon where you swap instead of buy.

The exhibition rooms look like a small edition of London's Caledonian Market. Old typewriters, cameras and wireless sets are exhibited on tables, with sewing machines, lamps and gramophones mingled among them. In short, anyone who has anything to swap is free to exhibit at the Salon of Exchanges.

Only a few minutes after doors were opened yesterday, a camera and a pair of skis were exchanged for sacks of coal and an overcoat.

Painters have had some difficult times trying to convince other exhibitors that their works are worth a sack of coal or a cask of ale, but everyone enters into the haggling with good will.

PRESIDENT'S PORTRAIT BANNED

The Nazi-controlled Memel Directory has decided to order the removal of portraits of President Smetona of Lithuania and the Lithuanian arms from German schools. The reason given for this decision is "to avoid unpleasant disturbances."



One of the most remarkable displays of Christmas fare in England was seen at a High Wycombe hotel. There were turkey, geese, turkeys and the usual winter fare from ground to air. The table was a long one, and the food was served in a large hall.

CHILDREN AT 11 TO BE YOUR EQUALS

Children between eleven and sixteen will be treated as equals by their teachers in the schools of the future.

In Grammar Schools they will learn English and another language for two years and then be allowed to follow their tastes—especially the girls.

These are the conditions envisaged by the Consultative Committee on Secondary Education which has just issued the results of its five-year inquiry into child problems.

Too much emphasis on form and house superiority is classed as a dangerous thing—"likely to degenerate into unwarranted self-satisfaction."

Typewriting and shorthand are as important as Latin, the report indicates. And, the experts declare, the School Certificate examination and the preparation for it, are dangerous to the healthy growth in mind and body of a large number of pupils.

The five years between eleven and sixteen is what the Committee calls the "awkward age." They say that at this stage boys and girls develop pride and humility, and parents cannot expect the same degree of blind obedience—or frank confidence—that they have had before.

There's cheering news for both parents and children in the Committee's report . . . for they say that the core of education for children under sixteen years should be a thorough study of English and English subjects.

They want school studies to be brought into closer contact with the practical affairs of life and the inclusion of a "careers master" on the staffs of large schools.

"The School Certificate examination dominates the curriculum unduly. It should follow the curriculum, not determine it," is another point. On the vexed question of homework:

"We believe that homework plays a necessary part in the education of the adolescent . . . but it is the business of the school to see that what is asked is not unreasonable. Just before examinations, conscientious pupils, especially girls may spend the whole evening until a late hour over books."

"The bow which is bent always loses its spring."

"We think that no homework should be set junior forms in which the majority of pupils are under eleven; that less should be required of the younger forms than of the older; and that the quota set for the week-end should not exceed that set on the other days of the week, so that the children may then have a free evening to share fully in the family life."

HIS EXCELLENCY

LIVES IN HUT

The Governor of Molt, northern colony on the east coast of Greenland, and his family, will have to live in a snow-hut for the remainder of the winter, as his house at Scoresby Sound has been burned down. In the summer the Governor will move to a tent. Ice makes it impossible to transport materials for building a new house before the end of the summer. All that could be saved from the fire were the clothes.

HONOUR FOR THE QUEEN'S FATHER

The arms of the Earl of Strathmore, the Queen's father, are to be augmented by command of the King—a "special mark of Royal favour."

The present bearings will be augmented by the addition of "an escutcheon emblazoned with an Imperial crown and a rose, such as his Majesty bore for a badge while Duke of York, and a tressure circumscribed with the words 'on the Royal arms'."

The old escutcheon shows tressure in recognition of Strathmore's descent from Robert II of Scotland. The arms will not be altered by change in her family arms.

POPE SPEAKS OF "DEAR ENGLAND"

The Pope spoke of "that dear England" when he received six newly consecrated priests of the English College in Rome. He referred to "that England to which so many pastoral thoughts continually bind us, that dear England which we are pleased to greet . . ."

U.S. AIR LINERS FOR BRITAIN

British Airways have order two more Lockheed Aircraft Corporation aeroplanes for services between London and the Continent.



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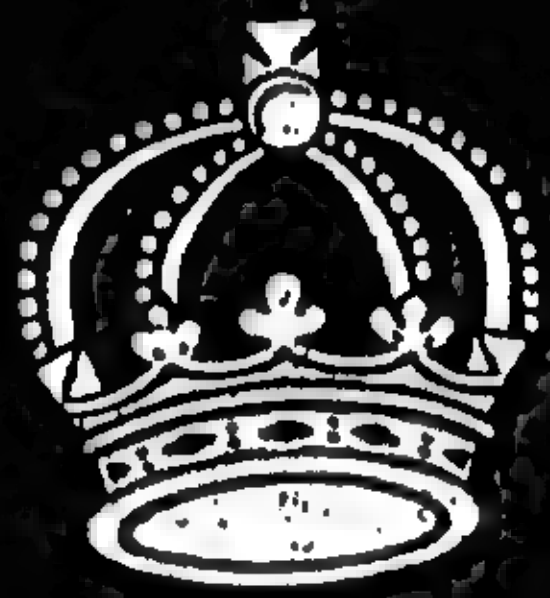
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SCOTLAND YARD

Armed Watch On A Strand Hotel

London, January 18.

Armed detectives were watching early to-day the entrance to a small hotel in the strand, W.C., where three mysterious young men stayed for a few hours on the night before Monday's bomb explosions, which shook wide areas in South-East and North-West London.

The young men left the hotel at 5 a.m. on Monday in a taxicab an hour before the explosions occurred. The driver was told to go to Villiers-street, nearby. "We are meeting three others," said one of them to the driver.

They had arrived at the hotel at 1.15 a.m. One, tall, wore a long macintosh, reaching almost to his ankles. He spoke with a Scottish accent.

The others, shorter, had an Irish brogue. None seemed to have hats. They had one small suitcase between them.

The men asked for a room with three beds. "We want to be together," they said. The night porter was asked to call them punctually at five, with tea and boiled eggs. When he knocked they were already up and dressed.

Later in the day Scotland-yard special Branch detectives made inquiries at the hotel. They examined the room.

Members of the staff were taken to the Yard to see photographs of known Irish revolutionaries. They were unable to identify any of them.

EXAMINED ROOM

Last night Scotland-yard circulated to all police forces these descriptions of six men they wish to interview in connection with the explosion in Southwark, S.E.

(1) Aged thirty to thirty-five; 5ft. 10ins.; fresh complexion; clean shaven; sharp features; long nose; thin face; slim build; was dressed in long fawn macintosh reaching to ankles; brown leather shoes of heavy type, no hat. Scottish accent.

(2) Aged twenty-seven; 5ft. 7ins.; ruddy complexion; clean shaven; dark hair; medium build. Dark grey suit, collar and tie, no hat. Irish accent.

(3) Aged twenty to twenty-five; 5ft. 6ins.; ruddy complexion; dark hair; stiff build; clean shaven. Dark suit, no overcoat or hat. Irish accent.

(4) Aged thirty; 5ft. 8ins.; clean shaven. Overcoat and brown trilby hat.

(5) Aged twenty-five to thirty; 5ft. 8ins.; very fresh complexion; dark, wavy hair, brushed back; clean shaven. Fawn macintosh.

(6) Aged twenty-five; 5ft. 8ins.; fresh complexion; clean shaven. Dark suit. Believed to have a squint in one eye. Irish accent.

The instructions accompanying the descriptions sent to all police stations suggested that if the men were located detectives going to arrest them should be armed.

Scotland-yard offered special protection to Ministers of the Crown yesterday. Mr. Malcolm Secretary, negotiated the recent pact with Mr. de Valera, was allotted a guard of two plain-clothes officers.

A pylon at Great Barr, Staffs, was discovered to have been damaged.

Sacks of dynamite had been tied to three legs of the tower. Fuses led from each to a mound of powder in the centre of the pylon. Two of the "bombs" had exploded.

Another pylon, which carries the main Manchester-Warrington electrical supply over Manchester Ship Canal at Davyhulme, was found to have three sacks of dynamite and gelignite fastened to it seven feet from the ground. An alarm clock was connected to them by wires.

The clock had been set to go off at six o'clock, but it had stopped. It started tickling as a policeman picked it up, and he immediately cut the wires.

A double police guard on the vital points of Merseyside was maintained all night. Revolvers were issued to the officers guarding Clarence Dock power station, largest in the North of England.

A day and night guard has been placed at the B.B.C.'s Droitwich transmitter. No one without credentials is allowed inside the buildings.

Last night armed patrols were posted along the line of pylons carrying current from Liverpool to Preston and Cumberland.

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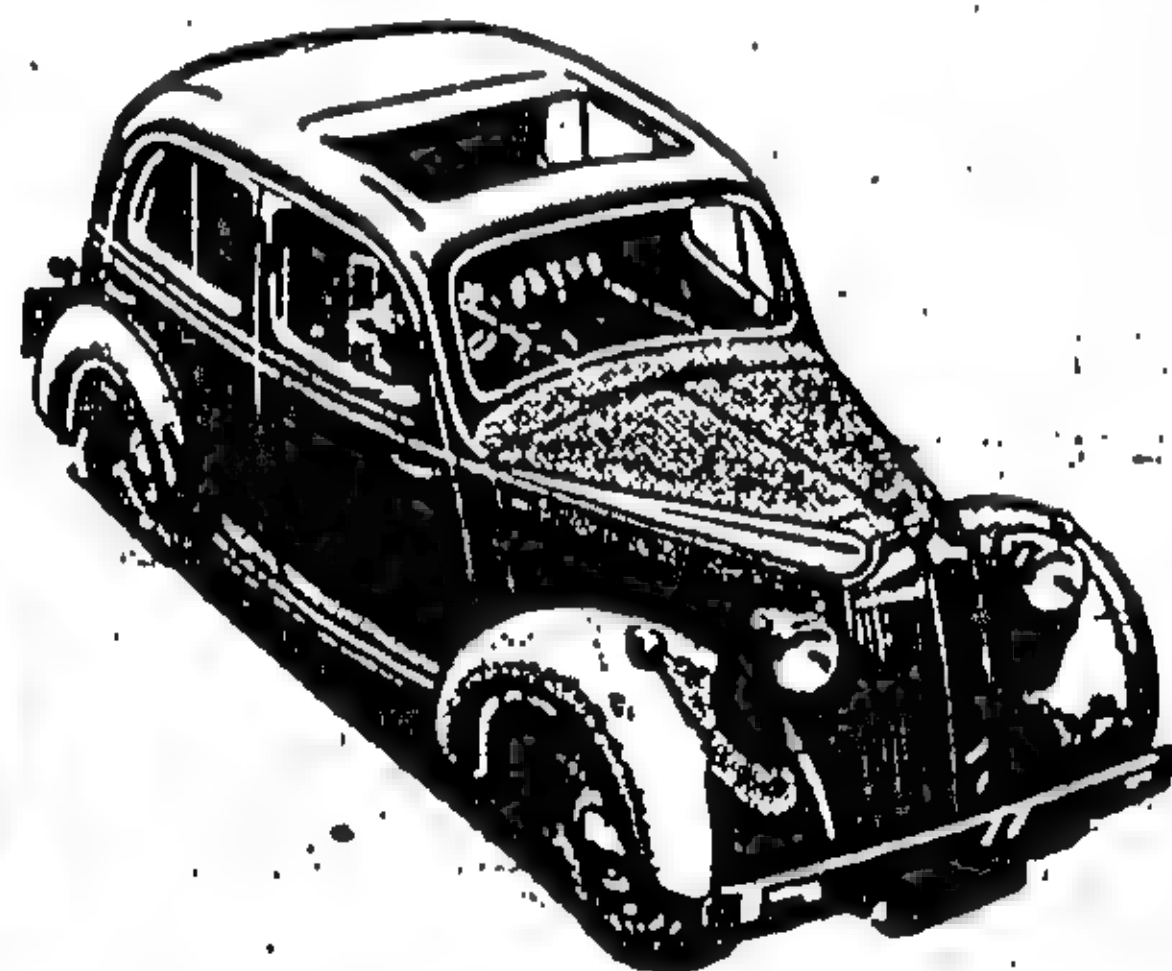
A.F. bomber crashed on to a house at Chapel Green, Crowborough, Sussex, recently. The house was completely wrecked, burst into flames. Some hours after the accident it was not definitely known how many people had been killed. Two bodies had been recovered—those of the pilot and a maid in the house. At least four others are feared dead. Visibility was poor at the time of the crash. Plane grazed side of one house and then crashed onto another, burying itself in the lower part of the house. Ammunition exploded in the plane, and pilot's body was seen to have several bullet wounds. Photo shows wreckage amid the wreckage of the burned-down house. Note chimney stack on right, the only part of the house left standing.

clamation" posted up week-end one is a far-an ex-mental hospital third a student, a former county council

George Plunkett, the fifth, is a son of Count Plunkett, another of whose sons was executed after the Easter week repulsion of 1916. The sixth, Sean Russell, is a Dublin shopfitter.

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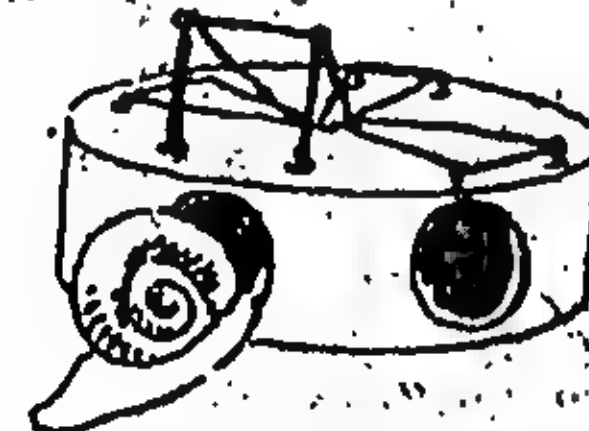
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Oh sigh for no cipher
but Oh sigh for me.

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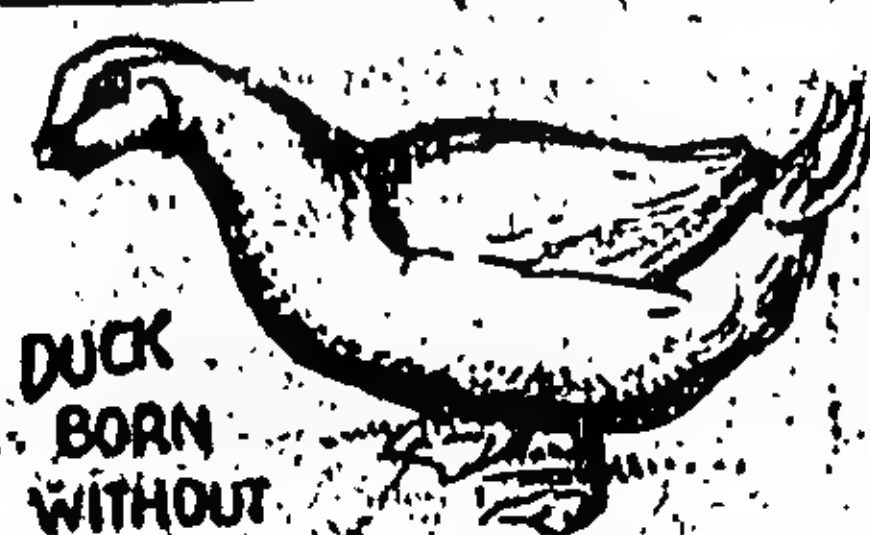
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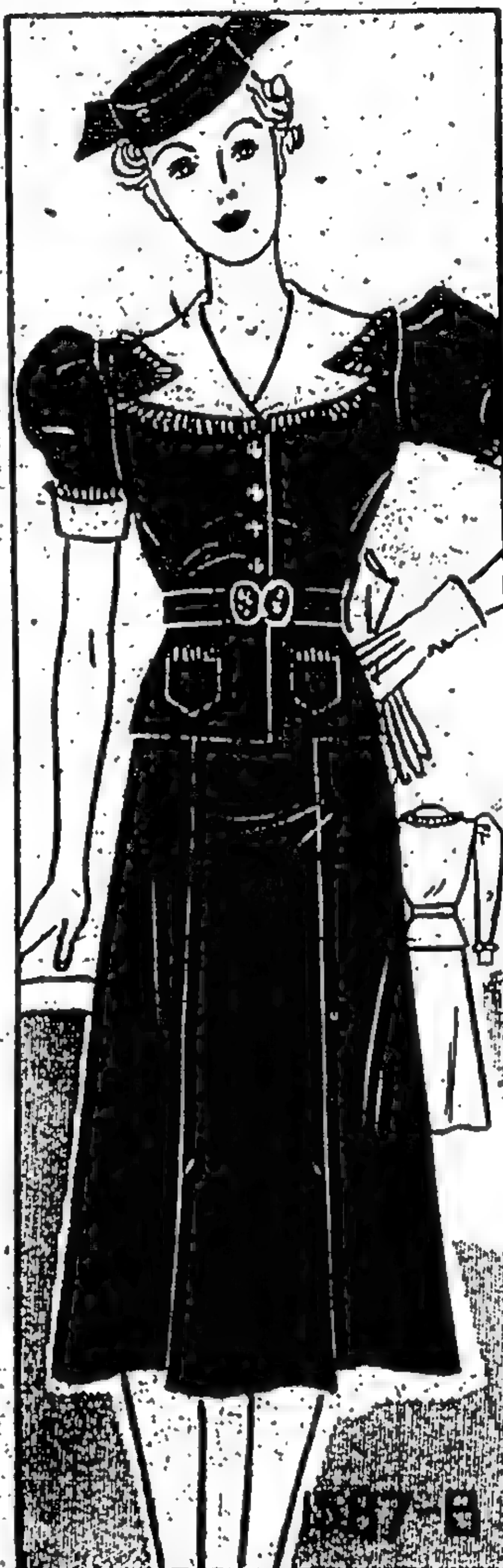
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★ ————— ★
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 Tartan pancake on left, with a
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★ ————— ★
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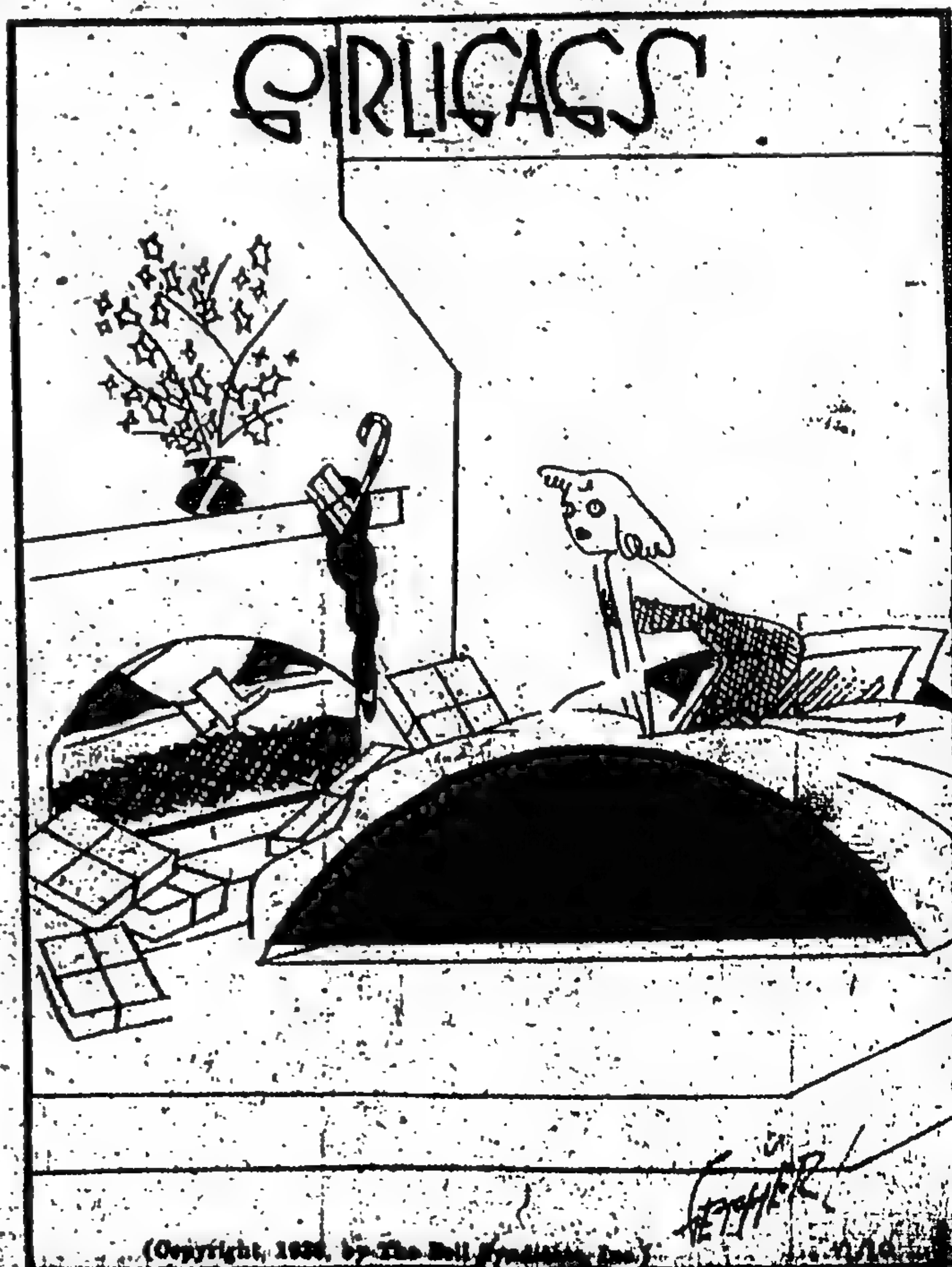


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Beauty and You

by PATRICIA LINDSAY

Which Perfume You Prefer

It is almost a ten to one bet that your beau will give you perfume this Christmas so in your own clever fashion, you might just as well let him know which brews you prefer!

Of course, I do not mean that you must take the pleasure out of his surprise by requesting that he give you perfume. But you might get over to him that such or such a fragrance is more suited to you than such or such!

If I were a salesgirl behind a perfume bar I would thrill when a male customer approached. Not because of his masculine attractiveness, no indeed, but I would think, "Here is the chance for a good sale." Then I would proceed to sell him the biggest and most expensive bottle of perfume that I felt he could afford! Of course, that would be a bit unscrupulous I know, but my sales total would be more important to me than the unknown girl who was to be the recipient of the gift!

So you see how men can be at the mercy of the girl behind the counter. He may be fortunate enough to have a more scrupulous girl wait upon him. One who would explain the difference in fragrances and instruct him which were for sirens, which for clinging vines and which best suited for the girl he so glowingly described. But chances are he will have no such luck for he is quite likely to buy the gift on Christmas eve when customers are ten deep around the counter and he will take what is suggested!

PERFUMES MUST SUIT PERSONALITY

Men should be informed that even the finest perfumes can be bought in small quantities and it will please his sweetheart more if he presents her with one ounce of exquisite fragrance than ten ounces of something which has a questionable fragrance. How delighted a woman can be with a brew which exactly suits her most frequent mood or the personality she shows the world! For perfume must be appropriate to the individual to scatter any charm at all.

If you have several beaus presenting you with several fragrances you will not have to bother your pretty little head over this problem. But if the one perfume gift is likely to be a scent which would drive you frantic every time you tried to wear it — then you will have to devise some means of instructing your man! If he wishes to, let him write me about you and I'll try to steer him straight! I must know your age and what you like to do. There are some pretty safe buys that are universally liked, and we can at least tell him what those are:

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Choice of:

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or
3 canned figs 100

AND

Choice of:

Clear coffee or tea with little lemon

Total calories for breakfast .. 250
Tall girl allowed 350

Note: If you feel hungry the middle of the morning drink one ordinary glass of tomato juice.

LUNCHEON

1 cup of vegetable soup 100
1 chicken sandwich without dressing 150
1 small glass tomato juice .. 25

Total 275

DINNER

Eat an enormous mixed green salad with roquefort cheese dressing 200
1 slice whole wheat, rye or bran 50
1 dish rich pudding with cream 150
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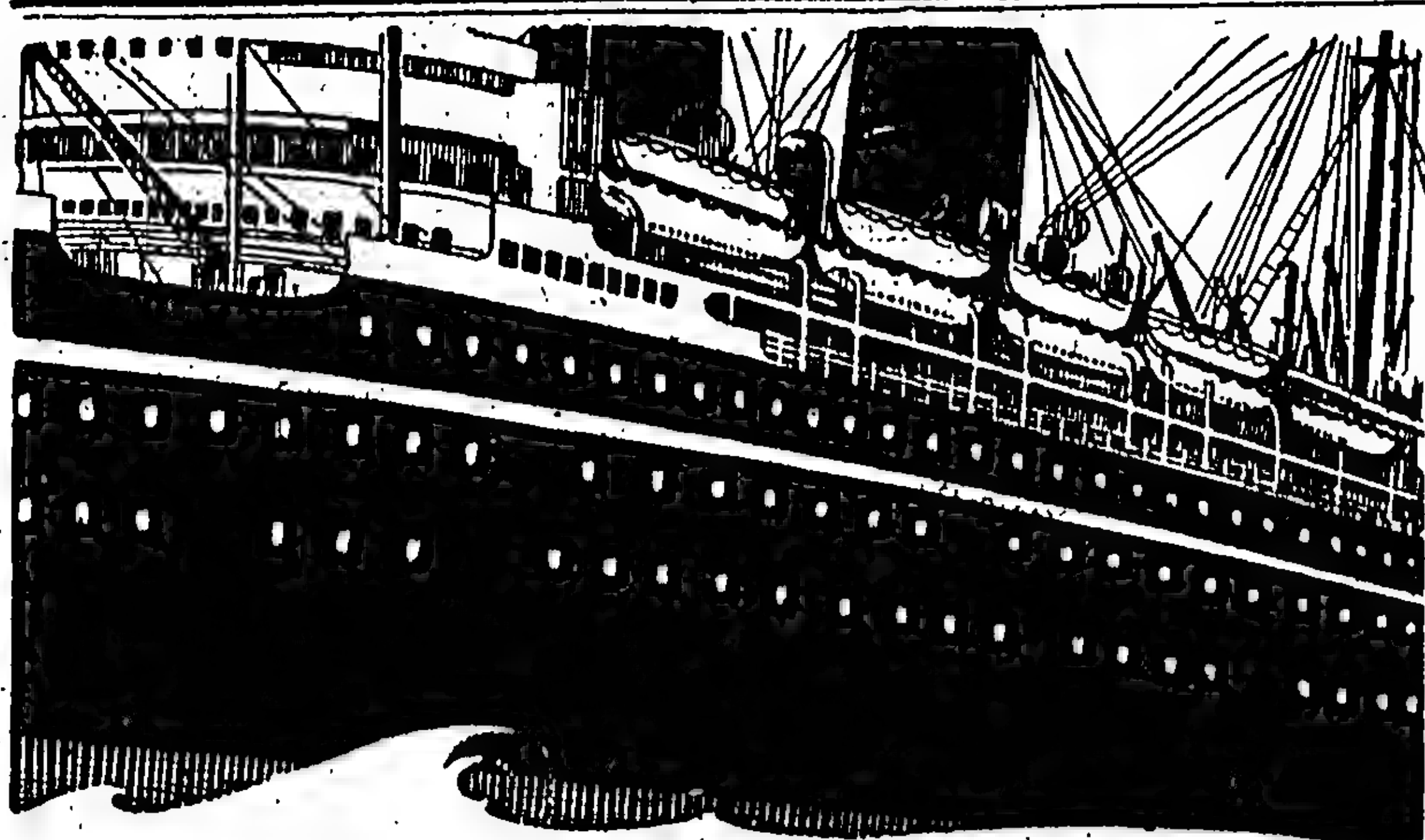
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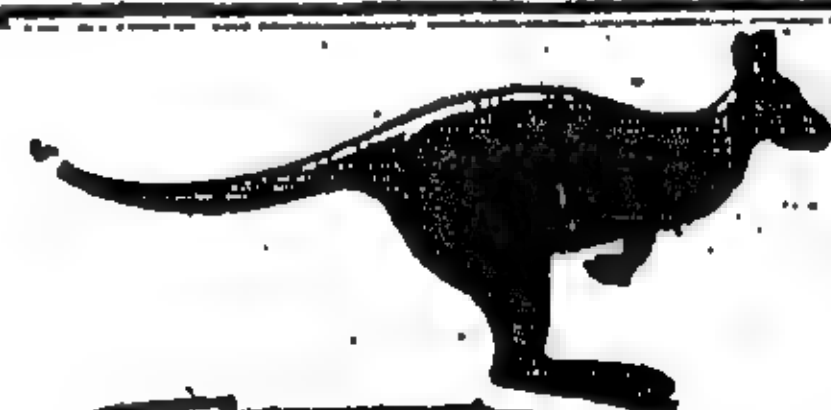
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Straits	Eumaeus	February 1.
Japan and Shanghai	Talhybius	February 1.
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Haiphong, Pakhoi and Fort Bayard	Kingyuan	February 2.
Bangkok and Swatow	Kweiyang	February 2.
Calcutta and Straits	Suisang	February 2.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers etc.)—London date, 5th January and London Parcels—London date, 29th December.	Ranpura	February 2.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan—(San Francisco date, 7th January).	Pres. Hayes	February 2.
Australia and Manila	Tanda	February 2.
Manila	Emp. of Canada	February 2.
Shanghai	Conte Verde	February 3.
U.S.A., Honolulu Japan & Shanghai (San Francisco date, 18th Jan.).	Pres. Coolidge	February 3.
Japan and Shanghai	Rajputana	February 3.
Japan	Africa Maru	February 3.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 28th Jan.	Imperial Airways Plane	February 4.
Japan and Shanghai	Lahore	February 4.
Japan and Shanghai	Felix Roussel	February 6.
Shanghai, Amoy and Swatow	Hupoh	February 6.
Straits	Cremer	February 7.
Japan and Shanghai	Sarpedon	February 7.
Manila	Nako Maru	February 7.
Japan	Tango Maru	February 8.
Haiphong	Canton	February 8.
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For	Per	Date and Time.
WEDNESDAY		
Shanghai	Glennearn	Feb. 1, 2 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy, Chuanchow and Foo-chow	Sagnes	Feb. 1, 3 p.m.
Haiphong	Wingsang	Feb. 1, 4 p.m.
Parcels only for Singapore	Van Heutsz	Feb. 1, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY		
Japan	Eumaeus	Feb. 2, 9.30 a.m.
Manila, Bangkok, Batavia, Mauritius, Reunion and Madagascar	Tegelberg	Thur. Feb. 2, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 9th Feb.	Imperial Airways Plane	Thur. Feb. 2, K.P.O.
	Reg.	Thur. Feb. 2, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.	Thur. Feb. 2, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	Thur. Feb. 2, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.	Thur. Feb. 2, 7.00 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by Imperial Airways Direct Service—due Sydney, 11th Feb.	Imperial Airways Plane	Thur. Feb. 2, G.P.O.
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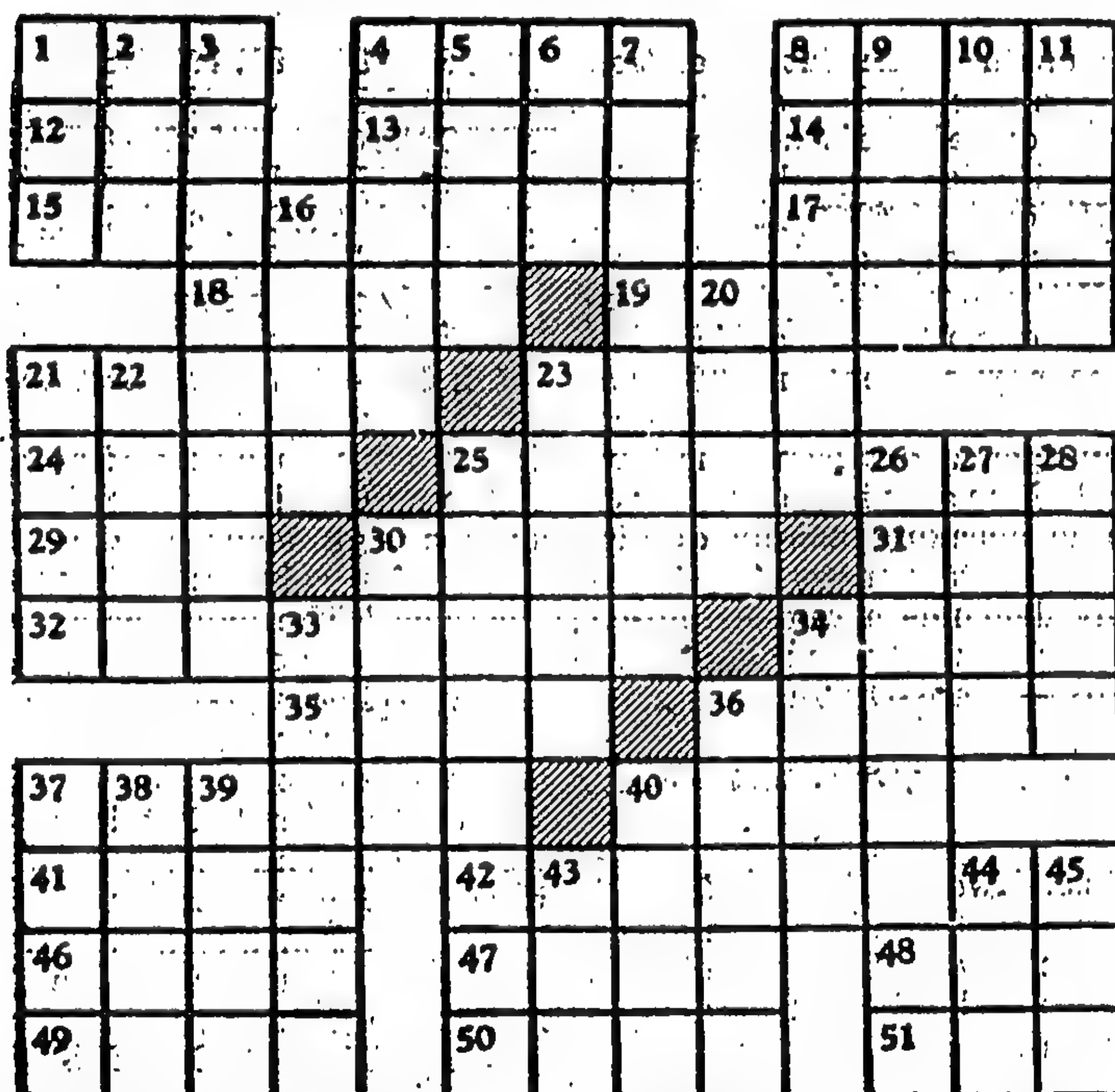
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 *NAKO MARU Tuesday, 7th Feb.
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 †M.V. NEPTUNA Saturday, 11th Feb.
BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo.
 TANGO MARU Wednesday, 8th Feb.
RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore
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HORIZONTAL

- 1 Mast cross-piece
- 4 Climbing plant
- 8 Farinaceous good
- 12 Resentment
- 13 Daughter of Nyx
- 14 Black
- 15 Idiots
- 17 Norse poem
- 18 Work units
- 19 Excites
- 21 Twilled fabric
- 23 Crisp cake
- 24 Attendant
- 25 Apostate
- 29 Farewell
- 30 Geometrical figures
- 31 Hawaiian dish
- 32 Eases spirit
- 34 Part of church
- 35 Inlets
- 36 Derision
- 37 Fine to listen reef-band
- 40 Narrow board

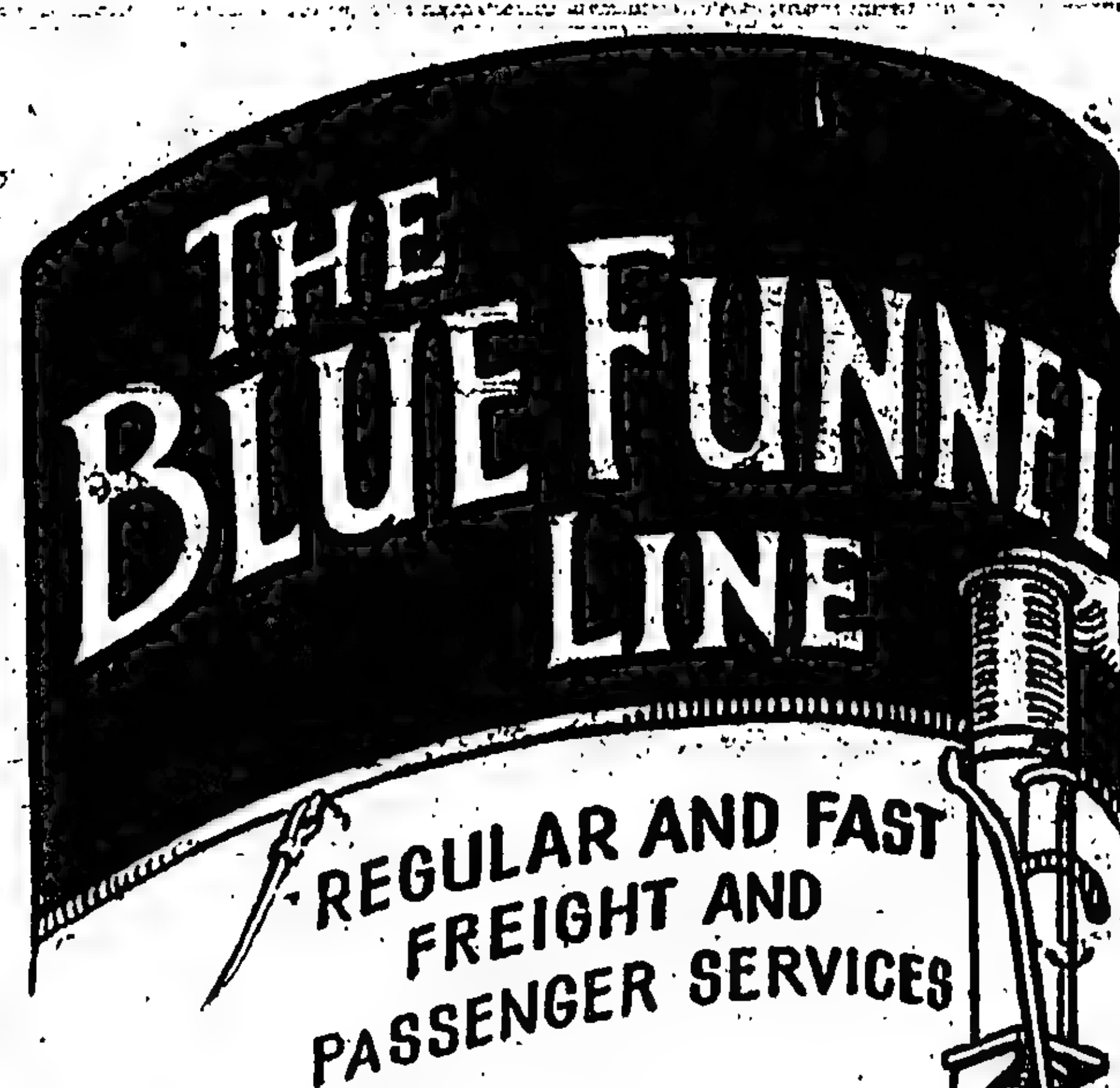
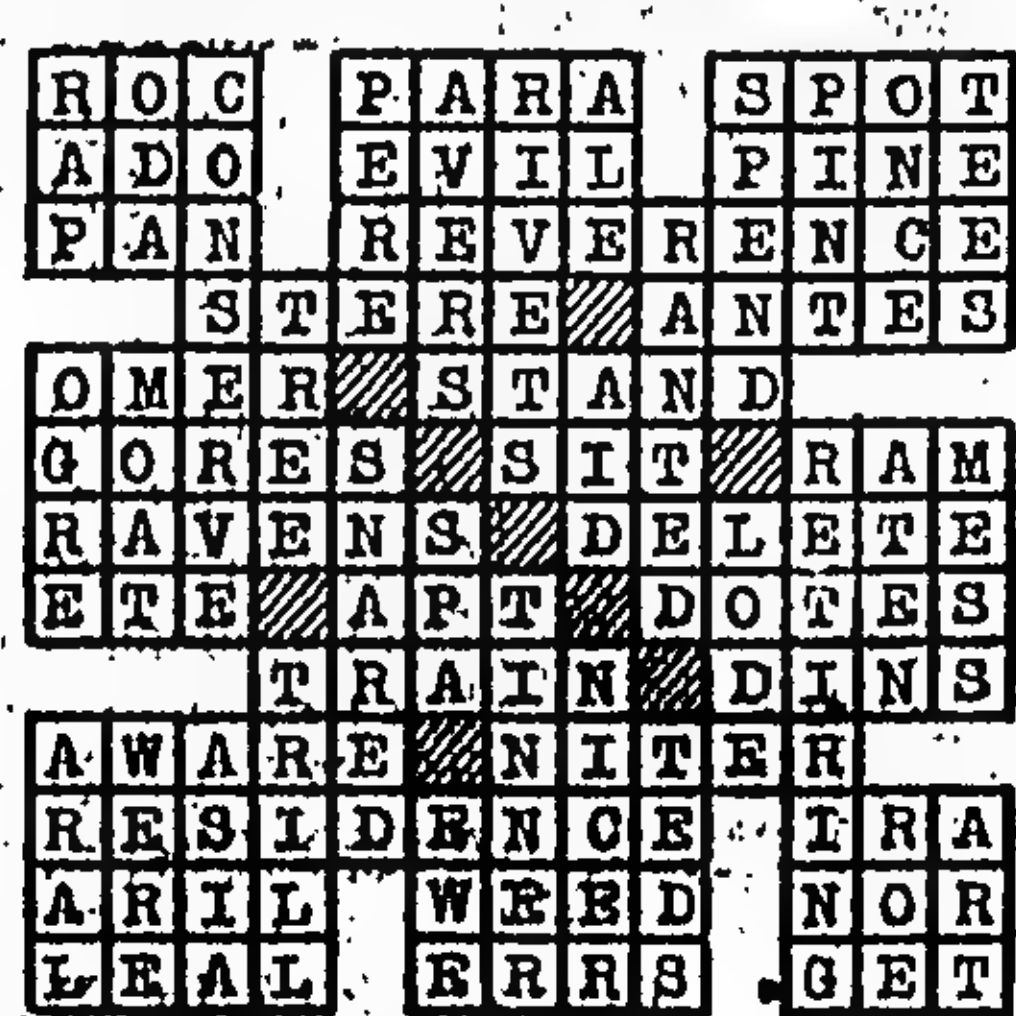
- 41 Drink
- 42 Pertinent
- 46 100 mills
- 47 Parties
- 48 Bushy clump
- 49 Wing like
- 50 Mistakes
- 51 To scrutinize

VERTICAL

- 1 Part of fish
- 2 Babylonian god
- 3 Cleanses
- 4 Approach
- 5 Cleopatra's handmaid
- 6 Nothing

- 7 Scents
- 8 Mexican cape
- 9 To border
- 10 Disappeared
- 11 Possessive pronoun
- 16 Inclination
- 20 Malay apes
- 21 War plane
- 22 Roof edge
- 23 Transmits
- 25 A renegade
- 26 Craving
- 27 Prow
- 28 Row
- 30 Piece of meat
- 33 Original
- 34 Word of sorrow
- 36 Silk of plants
- 37 Icelandic writings
- 38 Seed covering
- 39 Incarnation of Vishnu
- 40 Lustrous mineral
- 43 By
- 44 Dalliance
- 45 Holland committee

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RELAXATION OF TENSION IN FRANCE

PARIS, TO-DAY.
OFFICIAL AS WELL AS UN-OFFICIAL QUARTERS HERE ARE STILL INCLINED TO TAKE A RATHER INVARIABLE VIEW OF HITLER'S REICHSTAG SPEECH AFTER CAREFULLY ANALYSING ABOVE ALL THOSE PASSAGES OF THE SPEECH WHICH REFER TO MATTERS OF FOREIGN POLICY.

A relaxation in the tension which made itself felt practically at once after the text of the speech was known found its expression in a marked upward trend on the Paris Bourse yesterday.

It was significant that the Young Loan rose from 300 to 312 since the Young Loan quotation might be regarded as an indication of the degree of foreign countries' confidence in France.

In view of the anxiety which has prevailed in France during the last few weeks in connection with the Italian claims towards France it is natural that the papers stress above all Hitler's solidarity declaration with Italy.

MEANING OF PLEDGE?

The papers continue to discuss the question whether the German Chancellor's declaration that a war launched against Italy would bring Germany to Italy's side refers only to special eventualities or is meant as a general assistance pledge, but they are by no means unanimous in their interpretation of the meaning of the passage.

The papers also discuss the economic and colonial problems raised by Hitler.

The "Intransigent" stresses that Hitler treated the colonial question not as a political but as an economic problem. The paper points out that there is a certain divergence between the British and German viewpoint since Britain is speaking merely of distribution of raw materials while Germany demands a re-distribution of territories which produce raw materials.—Trans-Ocean.

Mr. Otto Pallesen, chief officer of the s.s. Kwong Tung, has reported the theft from his cabin of \$150 in money. The vessel was lying at the wharf of the Standard Oil Company.

WEINBERG EVIDENCE TO BE READ AT TRIAL

New York, To-day.

The testimony of George Weinberg, one of the most important witnesses in the second trial of Jimmy Hines, notorious Tammany political boss, who committed suicide, will be allowed to be read into the current trial.

This ruling was given yesterday by Judge Nott after Mr. Thomas Dewey, United States Attorney, had testified that Weinberg shot himself because he was depressed as a result of the previous trial and a stomach ailment.

L. P. Stryker, counsel for the defence, alleged that Weinberg shot himself for fear of cross-examination in the current trial.—Reuter.

GERMAN PRESS TAKES UP COLONIES ISSUE

BERLIN, TO-DAY.

PRACTICALLY THE ENTIRE GERMAN PRESS CONTINUES TO DISCUSS IN DETAIL THE COLONIAL QUESTION WHICH WAS RAISED BY HITLER WITH GREATER EMPHASIS ON MONDAY THAN IN ANY OF HIS PREVIOUS UTTERANCES. THIS MIGHT BE REGARDED AS AN INDICATION THAT GERMANY BELIEVES THAT THE SOLUTION OF THE COLONIAL PROBLEM NOW BECOMES URGENT.

The German press continues to be extremely satisfied with the echo which Hitler's speech had abroad.

"The world understood Adolf Hitler" is the heading of an article in the "Lokal Anzeiger" which bears a significant subtitle, "Path cleared for solution of important questions." The paper believes that the earnest demand for colonies and a sufficient basis for the economic requirements of the German people have been clearly understood abroad and that it has likewise been understood that the Reich has firmly determined to combat with all means at its disposal any economic measures that might be taken against it.

"SOME PROGRESS"

The "Voelkischer Beobachter" points out that none of the leading London papers outright rejects negotiations regarding the colonial question.

"If one compares the present attitude of the British press with the uncompromising one that was heard two years ago when suggestions were made that the colonial injustice should be repaired, one can say without excessive optimism that some progress has been made."

The paper believes that a practical solution of the question should be easy, "since Germany demands only the return of her own former overseas possessions." The paper then rejects the suggestion that Germany should merely be given a free access to raw material markets as a compensation for the lack of own colonial possessions.—Trans-Ocean.

Captain W. B. Wilson, residing at Humphrey's Building, has reported that at about 10 p.m. on Monday, his flat was entered and money and jewellery to the value of \$130.30 stolen.

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PALESTINE CONFERENCE TO OPEN NEXT WEEK

London, To-day.

The Secretariat of the British Government delegation which will take part in the forthcoming discussions on Palestine has been established at St. James' Palace, and it was in consultation yesterday with the secretariats of the visiting delegations on procedure and other arrangements for the conferences.

Representation of the Palestine National Defence Party is still not settled but in answering a question in the Commons yesterday afternoon, the Colonial Secretary said he anticipated it soon would be and that the discussions would open on February 7.

Mr. Malcolm Macdonald had informal talks with a few individual delegates yesterday morning.

Apart from the representation of the Defence Party the chief Yemen delegate has not yet arrived.

In a Commons answer regarding the situation in Palestine itself, Mr. Macdonald said: "Further progress has been made during the past month in the restoration of order. The close control established by the military authorities has made it increasingly difficult for large bands of terrorists to operate, and rebel activity has recently taken the form of numerous isolated acts of terrorism and sabotage." — British Wireless.

POLISH EXCHANGE RESTRICTIONS

Warsaw, To-day.

Regulations concerning dealings in foreign exchange in Poland are to be made considerably stricter by a decree of the Polish Finance Ministry to come into force on February 1.

Instead of an amount of Zloty 200—only Zloty 100—may be taken out of the country by travellers going abroad.

The despatch to foreign countries of platinum, precious stones and gold jewellery is forbidden. Moreover the rights of banks in exchange transactions with foreign countries are still further restricted.—Trans-Ocean.

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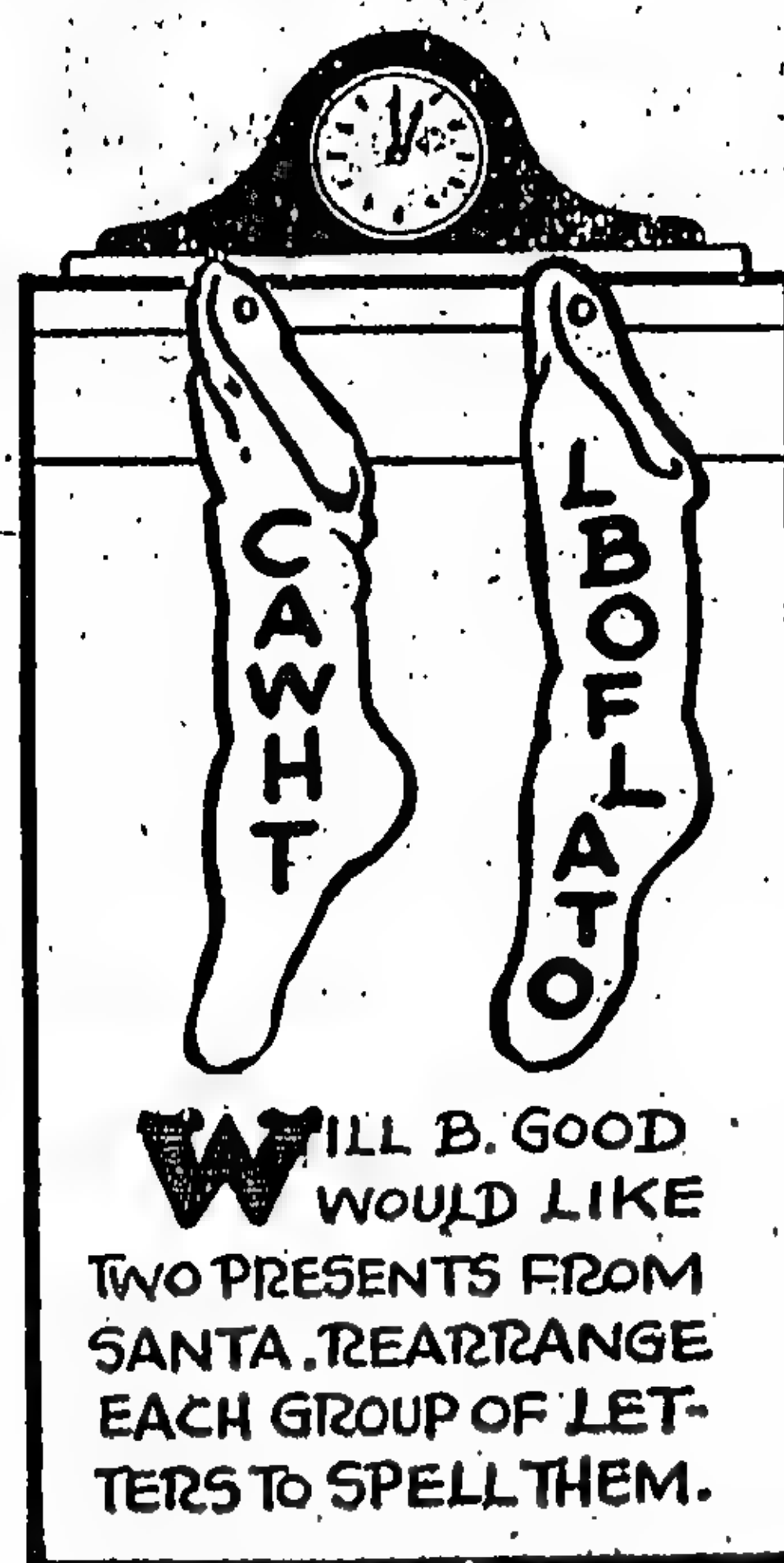
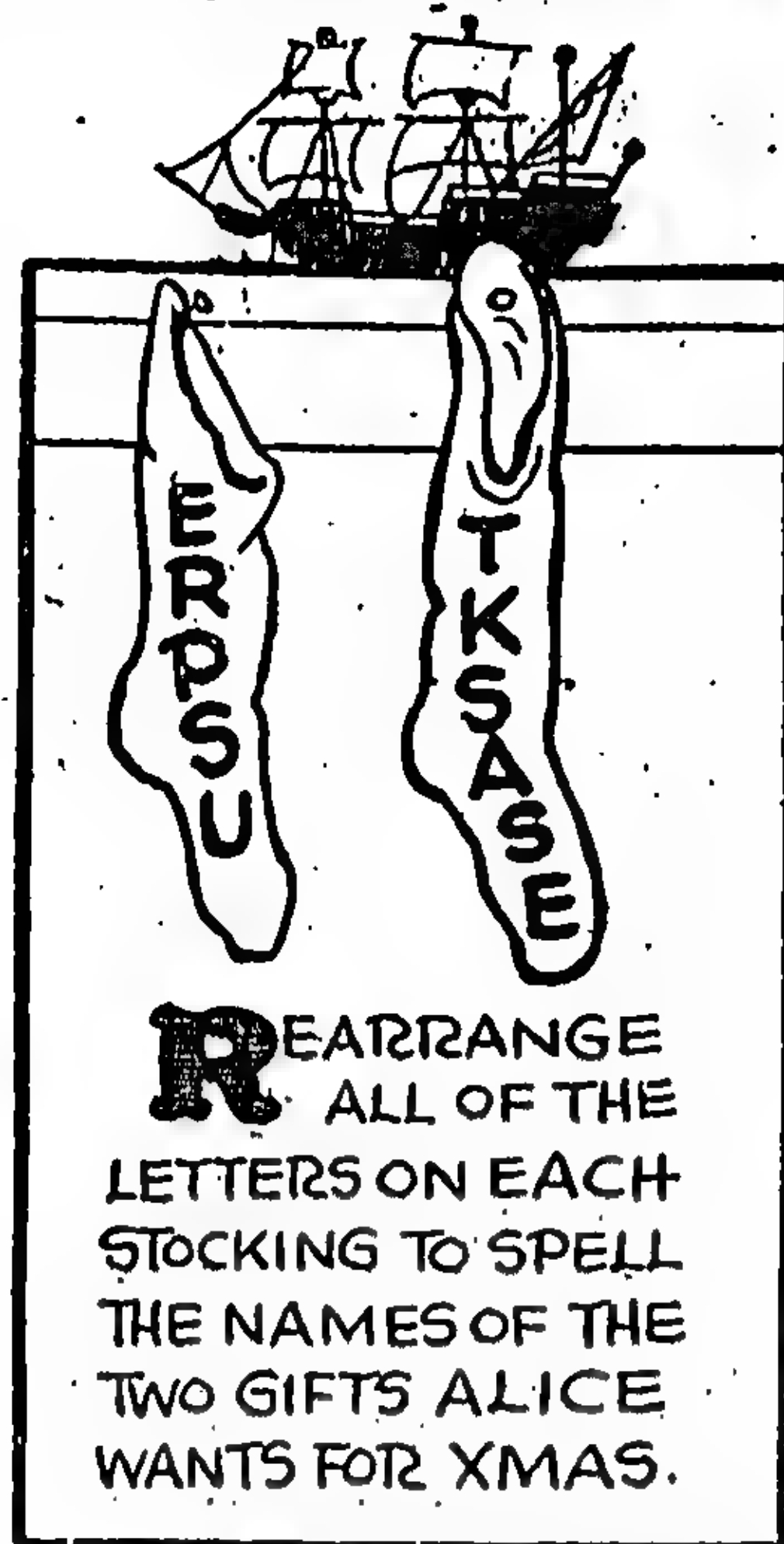
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CHILDREN'S PUZZLE



Answer to-morrow.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

BANKS

Hong Kong Bank \$1390 b., \$1365/- 70 sa.

INSURANCES

Canton Ins. \$220 s.
Union Ins. \$453 b., \$460 s., \$453 sa.
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H. K. and K. Wharves \$114 b.
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Providents (Old) \$5.75 b.
Providents (New) \$5½ b.

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Antamoks Ps. 44 sa.
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Demonstrations Ps. 20½ sa.
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San Mauricio Ps. 1.76 sa.
Suyoc Consol. Ps. 23½ sa.
United Paracales Ps. .68 sa.

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H. K. and S. Hotels \$6.65 b., \$6.60 sa.
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Humphreys \$8½ b., \$9 sa.
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MISCELLANEOUS

Entertainments \$7 b., \$7.10 sa.
Marsmans Inv. (Lon.) s/- 15/6 b.
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* Sales to Shanghai.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 12-13/16.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London at 20 and forward at 19-11/16.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$467.75 and the New York on London rate at £—U.S.\$467-13/16.

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MRS. HITLER: RATES SUMMONS

London, Jan. 20.

Mrs. Bridget Hitler, Irish-born sister-in-law of the German Fuhrer, has received a summons to appear at Highgate Police Court to-day for alleged non-payment of £9 rates.

She married Herr Hitler's Austrian half-brother Alois, then a Dublin waiter, twenty-eight years ago. The couple separated in 1914.

Mrs. Hitler and her son Willie were received by the Fuhrer in Munich two years ago.

TOUR OF FRENCH NAVAL BASES

Paris, To-day.

The Chief of the French Admiralty Staff, Vice-Admiral Darlan, who is at present making a tour of inspection in Morocco, and on Monday visited the naval base of Lyautey, will proceed to South Morocco to-morrow. Darlan will there inspect the defences of the port of Agadir.—Trans-Ocean.

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THE MOST REMARKABLE LEAGUE MATCH FOR YEARS



E. ZIMMERN . . . Craigengower's best batsman.

Easily the most remarkable team from a point of view of performance this year has been Club de Recreio.

There have been some remarkable matches in the Hong Kong Cricket League in recent years but I doubt if any was more remarkable than that at Happy Valley on Saturday between Recreio and Civil Service.

The Portuguese team batted first and to all intents and purposes appeared to be trying to better the record set by Army against themselves the previous week and score the lowest total of the season—16!

They lost no fewer than eight wickets for only 19 runs to Perry and McLellan and as all their acknowledged bats were out, their prospects of topping the 20 mark did not appear particularly bright.

When Georgie Guterres went in to bat, he might reasonably have been excused if he had lost his nerve and joined, as so many far more eminent bats had, the rapid procession back to the pavilion.

He elected to make a fight of it, however, and playing good cricket and scoring when the opportunity arose with hooked and straight drives, he went through the remainder of the innings for an undefeated 27. He received fine support from Ozorio, who took his courage in both hands and banged around for 14. When the latter was dismissed, Recreio's score had been advanced to 68 and this total, having regard to the excellence of their bowlers and their activity and accuracy in the field, gave them a sporting chance.

Over-Cautiousness

I am told that the earlier Civil Service batsmen played right into Recreio's hands by being over-cautious. The "Big Five"—Richardson, Colledge, McLellan, Griffiths and Perry—were all out for under 10 but with Arthur Lay refusing to be intimidated and hitting anything overpitched as he is wont to hit normally, and Hawkins defending stoutly, it seemed almost impossible that Recreio's score would not be passed.

However, Lay was eventually well caught by "Nolly" Silva and Hawkins, joined by the last man, with nine runs still to get, took a big bang at a ball outside the off stump and was brilliantly caught high up by Silva at point.

Ozorio again bowled well, although, of the two, Gosano appeared the more dangerous. These two bowlers were well supported by their field, whose errors could have been counted on the fingers of one hand.

I find it extremely difficult to account for the failure of so many recognised bats in the course of the afternoon. Apparently there was nothing very terrible in the wicket.

One batsman whom I questioned advanced an explanation that the light might have had something to do with it. He said it was very difficult throughout the afternoon which was admittedly dull.

Close Finish

Close of the Indians-Craigengower match on an adjoining ground, found the former team fighting hard to stave off defeat. With 61 runs in arrears, their last two men were batting.

The wicket favoured batsmen as,

despite the fact that one or two either keep low or got up, it was quite dead and back play was a cinch had batsmen but realised it. Most people got out through misjudging the pace of the wicket and playing too early.

Craigengower batted first, Huog and A. R. H. Esmail opening. First thrill came in the third over when "A. R. H." was dropped at mid-on off Minu. He did not long survive this let-off, however, and was l.b.w. Nazarin in the next over.

BY "ADREM"

Evidently determined that there should be no rout, Ernie Zimmermann sent Lim in next to attempt to break the back of the bowling.

Hung was the next to leave, being caught in the slips reaching forward too early to Minu and Francis Zimmermann after making 14 runs very confidently, was unlucky to get the wrong end of a narrow run out decision.

Dreary Cricket

With Souza and Lim in, the cricket became very dreary. They were together for 60 minutes for 61 runs but, in the first half hour, only 22 runs were scored, Lim get-

ting seven of them and Souza 15.

When the latter attempted to brighten things up he was dropped three times, while Lim was fortunate to escape being run out on at least four occasions through bad throwing-in.

Lim was finally dismissed for 24 runs in 75 minutes and he was followed soon after by Souza, who took just over an hour for his 45.

Archie Zimmermann did not last long but Rapley made some smart shots on the leg although he was woefully weak on the off. Ernie Zimmermann batted beautifully, his hooking being very firm and crisp.

I feel it would be to the advantage of Craigengower if he went in a good deal earlier than he does. At the moment he is easily the best bat in the side.

Craigengower were all out at 4.25 and I.R.C., with just under an hour and a half to get the 149 runs necessary for victory, went for them. Nazarin was smartly run out and "Bob" Arculli was unfortunate to be c and b when trying to hit a ball from Billimoria, which got up unexpectedly, out of the ground.

A. H. Madar batted with his usual confidence but eventually fell to a brilliant slip catch by Ernie Zimmermann for 22, while A. R. Minu was well caught by Ismail who took him with one hand in the gully and A. R. Kitchell who appeared too impetuous, made 11 before being caught.

After M. el Arculli was run out, I.R.C. shut up shop and despite the closeness of the finish, never real-

ly looked like losing. The last 15 minutes of the game was farcical, the field being almost on top of the bat.

I.R.C. dropped six catches and let 25 runs go with their ground-fielding, not to mention bad throwing in, which lapses, in all, must have cost them 50 runs and very likely the match.

Craigengower's fielding was well-nigh perfect. No catches were dropped and mistakes in the field were at a minimum.

Strange Navy Side

Over at King's Park, Club had to scramble some to get the 156 runs set them by Navy. The Navy team, on paper, is barely recognisable as the side which represented them in the Triangular Tournament last month. It is a great pity that H.M.S. Birmingham had to go on its cruise at this time of the year.

Navy made a good start on Saturday, Booth making 21, Brightman 19 and Whitmarsh completing his 50 without being dismissed. Later Carver made 21 and Holdsworth 33. Longfield was the most successful bowler with 4 for 37.

Only three Club batsmen were required to knock off the runs, Owen Hughes getting 64 not out, Ride 41 and Alec Pearce 41 not out.

JUNIOR MATCHES

If the Senior game between Civil Service and Recreio was remarkable for the lowness of the scoring, the Junior match between Army and Kowloon Cricket Club at Soekunpoo was just the opposite.

In all, 404 runs were scored in the course of the afternoon for the loss of only 9 wickets.

Overshadowing everything else, of course, was a brilliant century by young Bertram Lay.

Army batted first and found run-getting against the mediocre K.C.C. attack fairly easy. Webb batted beautifully for his half-century and scored with nice strokes all round the wicket. He was associated with Spr. Ratcliffe in a big second wicket stand which, together with 20 from Lieut. Hook, appeared to place Army in a sound position. Ratcliffe's innings, while possibly not being quite as complete as Webb's, was an attractive one, the batsman finding the boundary on 12 occasions.

The less said about K.C.C.'s bowling the better. I am told that Simpson would have been infinitely more useful and much less expensive if he had bowled fewer full-tosses.

When Kowloon batted, Lay dominated. He scored with hard hits all round the wicket and the Army total was passed with a couple of overs to spare.

An extra over was played to allow Lay to complete his century and he made no mistake. Hitting 21 boundaries, he gave no chances until he had passed his 100 when he was missed while hitting out.

(Continued on Page 23)



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To-day's Big Hockey Match

Cricket

(Continued from Page 22)

Disastrous Start

Club Juniors made a disastrous start in their game with Navy. King cocked up one to leg off a bumper by Finnie and was smartly caught by the wicket-keeper, who dived for it, Mackenzie was caught at the wicket, Low was l.b.w. and Mitchell poked one up to mid-on.

If Navy imagined they were well on the way to an easy victory, they were sadly disillusioned for there their run of successes ended.

Armstrong was joined by Bishop, the bowling was collared and the whole complexion of the game changed! Bishop's was a most attractive innings to watch for he attacked the bowling with whole-hearted gusto throughout. He was badly missed on three occasions after he had passed the seventies but considering the risks he took, he thoroughly deserved his good fortune.

Fox laid about him with his usual vigour and the tail-enders, in trying to force the pace, soon got themselves out, but not before the total had been advanced to 196.

Navy fielding had left much to be desired.

Navy started slowly against the steady attack of Fox and Stoker and quickly let slip all chance they may have had of taking three points. The score mounted steadily, however, but the second change did the trick, Bond held two good catches and Bishop took a big drive on the screen. After that it was only a question of whether Navy could hold out.

Thanks to Wood they did! He sat on the splice and refused to hit or run and Navy, somewhat luckily earned a point.

Stoker Steady

Stoker bowled unchanged and steadily for almost an hour and a half but he was not getting wickets and an earlier change might have seen the game won in good time.

With the return of G. E. R. Divett, Club should make a better showing in their next games. The batting is there but the bowling at present lacks variety and sting.

I was not surprised at University beating Civil Service. The performances of the latter team in their last two games have been too good to be true.

On Saturday they were bundled out for 74 by Gegg and Hong Choy, notwithstanding a good fighting knock by John Barrow, and the undergraduates had no difficulty in knocking these off, Hong Choy making 41 before retiring.

Recrelo had the better of a low-scoring game with Craighengower and won by 23 runs. A. E. Noronha was the only Portuguese batsman to stand up to the bowling of Winch, Omar and Iranee and the innings only realised 74 runs.

This proved more than sufficient and Craighengower never looked like getting the runs and were out for 51.

I was pleased to see that the enthusiastic Tommy Locke got highest score for the losers. He has been on the edge of the team for some time and by his effort in this game, may be said to have fairly earned the right to a regular place in the side.

Soares maintained his fine form with the bail for Recrelo, while G. N. and A. V. Gosano took seven scalps between them.

If Club Beat Army They Win T.T. Series

A. F. AUSTEN REPLACES CAPT. HUNT

Probably the most important game in the Triangular Hockey Tournament will take place this afternoon at 4.30 p.m. on the Army ground at Sookunpoo where Army entertain Club, who have maintained an unbeaten record to date.

Army have played two, won one and drawn one, while Club beat Navy in both their clashes and only need to win this afternoon's game to secure the title.

Army have made one change from their original lineup, L/Cpl. Austen, who travelled to Malaya with the Army hockey team, replacing Capt. Hunt at left-half.

Club are fielding their very best team and G. E. R. Divett, their skipper, makes a return to the tournament following his riding accident a month or so ago. T. S. D. Whitley and B. I. Bickford, who have been Club's outstanding forwards this season, will make their last appearances to-day as they both leave for England on Saturday.

To-day's umpires will be supplied by Royal Navy.

Teams for to-day's match are as follows:

Army:—Pte. Osman (R.A.O.C.); L/Bdr. Carter (R.A.) and Rfm. Badda Ram (Rajputs); L/Sgt. Fraser (R. Scots), Lt. Hook (R.A.) and L/Cpl. A. F. Austen (R.C. Signals); Hav. Shaw-Wali (Rajputs), Lt. Indarjit Singh (Rajputs), Lt. Pritam Nath (Rajputs), L/Nk. Nerain Singh (Kumaons) and Rfm. Partaub Singh (Kumaons).

Club:—V. M. Benwell; V. C. Bond and E. V. Reed; H. J. D. Lowe, W. A. Reed and N. B. Whitley; S. A. Fowler, T. S. D. Whitley, G. E. R. Divett, B. I. Bickford and R. A. Bates.

Forward Press

By BEST BALL

In order to set the body and legs into a proper hitting position, the majority of good golfers resort to what is known as the forward press. This is not to be confused with the waggle, the purpose of which is to relax the muscles, but is an entirely separate movement which follows it.

In many instances the forward press is hardly discernible, in others it is pronounced. It is a feature of the expert's game never-

GRAPHIC GOLF



theless, and earmarked by a sudden twitch of the knees. For example after the waggle is completed, the hips shift to the left quickly in the direction of the hole, a movement accommodated by a flexing of the right knee in the direction of the ball and the straightening of the left leg.

This movement toward the hole is transmitted to the arms and the hands causing these to move slightly forward. As a result the hands are slightly ahead of their position in the original stance, while the body is in an excellent

ENGLISH LADIES' GOLF TITLES

Reduction In Handicap Limit

(By AIR MAIL)

A reduction in the handicap for competitors in the English Ladies' Championship, to be played at Ganton, beginning October 2, has been approved by the Executive Council of the Ladies' Golf Union.

The limit of handicap for entrants was fixed at five, as against the previous limit of six.

The following arrangements for the Challenge Bowls meetings for 1939 were made:—

English Silver Division—Woodhall Spa, May 23.

English Bronze Division—Gosforth, July 4.

Scottish Silver and Bronze Divisions—Gleneagles Hotel, April 22.

Irish Silver and Bronze Divisions—Greystones, April 21.

Welsh Silver and Bronze Divisions—Holyhead, April 19.

Suggestions for augmenting the international match fund will be discussed at the annual general meeting of the Union in London on February 9.



CAPTAIN'S CUP AT KOWLOON CITY COURSE

First round matches in the Kowloon Golf Club Captain's Cup Competition played on Sunday last, resulted as follow:

W. C. Simpson beat F. C. Barry 4 and 3.

T. D. Paton beat B. B. Basto 5 and 3.

F. A. Hill beat S. Jex 4 and 3.

J. A. Dennish beat A. A. Lopes 1 up.

E. F. Fincher beat W. Ahern 1 up.

W. A. Stewart beat A. E. Davies at the 19th.

W. Bastin beat F. J. Remedios 2 and 1.

T. B. Low beat M. L. da Roza 2 up.

MEDAL PLAY COMPETITION

The following starting times have been arranged for a Medal Play Competition (18 holes on Sunday, February 5):

9.00 a.m. W. Kershaw v. B. Basto.

9.05 " A. A. Lopes v. P. J. Bone.

9.10 " J. A. Dennis v. T. B. Low.

9.15 " E. O. Murphy v. E. F. Fincher.

9.20 " W. Ahern v. F. J. Remedios.

9.25 " R. J. Wallace v. W. Bastin.

9.30 " F. Webster v. J. M. Boyd.

9.35 " A. E. Davies v. J. G. R. Humble.

9.40 " T. Henderson v. S. Jex.

9.45 " T. D. Paton v. T. Lamb.

9.50 " W. C. Simpson v. J. Kirwen.

Club Meet Police At Rugby To-day

A Rugby game between Club "A" XV and Police will be held this afternoon on the Club ground, commencing at 4 p.m. The Club side has been selected as follows:

J. T. Brown; D. I. Bosanquet; D. B. Nelson; E. M. Watts; H. F. Hopkins; D. Hynes; R. Rutherford; J. C. Menhinnick; P. W. Burton; W. Stoker; J. Moodie; G. M. Marrs; C. Austin; C. M. Stark and P. Welch.

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H. B. Darts League Results To Date

The following are the results of matches to date in the "H.B." Darts League:

M.T.B. "B" v IMPERIAL "B"	IMPERIAL "B" v M.T.B. "B"
Prest..... 2 Todd..... 1	Tang..... 0 King..... 2
Josey..... 2 Black..... 1	Cheek..... 2 Poole..... 1
Stonell..... 2 Snell..... 0	Black..... 1 Moore..... 2
Poole..... 0 Tester..... 2	Marshall..... 0 Prest..... 2
Moore..... 1 Cheek..... 2	Forster..... 0 Stonell..... 2

Points..... 3	Points..... 2	Points..... 1	Points..... 4
Highest score: Cheek..... 120	Highest score: King..... 132	Highest score: Cheek..... 54	
Highest finish: Cheek..... 40			

R.A.O.B. (G.C.) "B" v M.T.B. "A"	M.T.B. "B" v R.A.O.B. (G.C.) "A"
Hibberd..... 2 Wilkie..... 1	Moore..... 2 Cud..... 0
Grintin..... 1 Smith..... 2	Poole..... 0 Funnell..... 2
Little..... 2 Bassan..... 0	King..... 0 Pringle..... 2
Orrom..... 2 Moore..... 0	Prest..... 0 Burden..... 2
Lumby..... 1 Mitchell..... 2	Stonell..... 2 Redman..... 1

Points..... 3	Points..... 2	Points..... 2	Points..... 3
Highest score: Orrom..... 112	Highest score: Burden..... 115	Highest finish: Funnell..... 38	
Highest finish: Little..... 50			

LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

	P.	W.	L.	Up.	Dn.	Pts.
R.A.O.B. (G.C.) "A"	7	19	16	46	37	19
Imperial "A"	4	14	6	32	16	14
M.T.B. "B"	7	19	16	33	39	19
M.T.B. "A"	4	11	9	25	25	11
Embassy	4	9	11	23	24	9
Imperial "B"	6	12	18	29	44	12
R.A.O.B. (G.C.) "B"	7	12	23	32	41	12
Neptune	1	4	1	9	3	4

Highest finishes: Funnell 104, Lumby 100, Hoare 91, Little 88.
Highest scores: Little 135, Davis 135, King 132, Poole 131, Waterworth 128, Prest 127.

Tennant Retains Scottish Fly-Weight Title

DECISIVE VICTORY OVER FRAME

(By AIR MAIL)

FRED TENNANT, Dundee, retained his Scottish fly-weight championship against Snowball Frame, Blantyre, in the Caird Hall, Dundee, the referee stopping the contest in the eleventh round. It was a most decisive finish. In the early rounds Frame had been very aggressive, but in the fourth round Tennant opened a cut below Frame's right eye, and from that point onwards gradually established superiority.

There was still very little in it, however, until the tenth round, when Tennant landed a heavy right to the jaw, which sent Frame to the boards, where he remained for a count of nine. Immediately after he rose, the gong sounded, and when he emerged from his corner for the eleventh round, he was still groggy.

Tennant was quick to capitalise his advantage, and punched his man across the ring until he had him helpless on the ropes. From that point Frame became a mere chopping block for the champion, and he was taking severe punishment when the referee, Billy Strelly, of Glasgow, rightly applied the closure in Tennant's favour.

It was a spirited contest between two game fighters, and Tennant, though still suffering from a bad eye sustained in his fight with Pat Palmer last Saturday, gave one of the best displays of his career.

BADLY RECEIVED

Jim Brady, Dundee, Southern area bantam champion, strengthened his claim for a bout for the British title by outpointing Alec Knight, dual holder of the South African fly and bantam weight titles. It was one of the hardest fights which the Dundonian has had for some time, and the decision, which was booted, must have been a close one in his favour. From the start the South African demonstrated that he is a clever defensive boxer, with great skill and power in the fighting. Despite Brady's whirlwind tactics, Knight seemed to have most of the answers.

The turning point came in the ninth round when Brady had his opponent troubled with a succession of rights to face and body. In the last three rounds, Knight tired perceptibly.

New Outside Left For Crystal Palace

Crystal Palace paid a big fee to Mansfield Town for the transfer of Albert Wilson, their 22-year-old outside left.

A fast and clever player, Wilson attracted the attention of the Palace a few weeks ago, when he gave a fine display at Selhurst Park against the Palace.

They immediately tried to get his signature, but Mansfield asked a very still price, which the Palace have now agreed to pay.

Wilson stands 5ft. 8ins., weighs 11 stones, and was formerly with Derby County.

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F. A. Amateur Cup First Round Shock

DULWICH BEATEN AT HOME CASUALS SCORE 9 GOALS

THE first round of the Amateur Cup was played on January 14, when there were many unexpected results and a surprising number of drawn games. The Casuals, who included a number of Corinthian players in their team, visited Harwich and Parkeston and scored nine goals, this and the victory of Bromley, the holders, on the Eton Manor ground, being the outstanding achievements of the round.

Bromley's success was due to the return to form of Brown, the centre-forward, who scored two goals at a critical period of the Tie. Perhaps the three most surprising happenings were the failures of Romford, on the Leyton ground, and Wycombe, Wanderers, and Dulwich Hamlet at home.

In Leyton's victory over Romford Chamton recovering some of his old skill, scored twice, while in Slough's unexpected triumph at Wycombe, Ingram also scored two goals and Genner, displaying excellent form, took the chief part in Leytonstone's victory over Dulwich Hamlet.

FULL BACKS SCORED!

While the holders succeeded, Erith and Belvedere, last year's finalists, although at home, could only draw with Barking. Curiously enough, in the Kingstonian victory over Ford Sports, both full-backs scored, Cox running through from the halfway line to obtain the second goal, and Holling scored the third with a penalty kick.

The drawn matches in the Southern Section—Chesham United v. Enfield, Hitchin Town v. Tooting and Mitcham, Erith and Belvedere v. Barking, Clapton v. Maidenhead United, London Caledonians v. Golders Green, Wimbledon v. Bournemouth Gas Works, Southall v. Hounslow Town—will be replayed next Saturday.

While the Isthmian League teams did surprisingly well, only four of the Athenian League sides reached their best. Walthamstow Avenue played finely against Wealdstone, and with Foreman scoring two goals in the second half, gained a deserved triumph after Wealdstone had twice held the lead. In Ilford's victory over London, P. M. Goodyear also scored twice. The most exciting finish was at Wimbledon, where the visitors led by three goals to one until ten minutes from time. Then George scored with a penalty kick, and, with only a minute to go, Lemmer equalised.

NORTHERN MATCHES

In the Northern Ties, as in the Southern games, there were some unexpected results. Stockton, after a gallant struggle in the second half, were beaten by Willington, and Evenwood Town, on Sheldon's ground, had seven goals scored against them.

Bishop Auckland succeeded on Wallsend St. Luke's ground only by resolute defence after gaining the lead. Moor Green gave an impressive display in a deserved away triumph over Boldmore St. Michael's, and Marine (Liverpool) accomplished a good performance in gaining a notable away victory over Ferguson Palin.

FIRST ROUND RESULTS

Boldmere St. M.	2	Moor Green	4
Cambridge T.	2	Jack Mould's A.	1
Chesham United	1	Enfield	1
Chippenham T.	1	Grleston	3
Clapton	2	Maidenhead U.	2
Dulwich Hamlet	1	Leytonstone	3
Erith and Belvedere	1	Barking	1
Eton Manor	2	Bromley	4
Farsley Celtic	1	Yorkshire	4
Ferguson Palin	0	Marine (Liverpool)	2
Harwich and Pk's'n	1	The Casuals	9
Hastings and St. L.	4	Leavesden	1
Hitchin T.	1	Tooting and Mit.	1
Ilford	6	London P.M.	3
I.C.I. Alkali	2	Rawmarsh	0
Leyton	3	Romford	0
London Caledonians	0	Golders Green	0
Kingstonian	3	Ford Sports	1
Norton Woodseats	9	Badsey Rangers	0
Portland U.	0	Sutton U.	1
R.A.S.C. (Alder-shot)	3	Barnet	2
Shildon	7	Evenwood Town	0
South Bank	2	Guiseley	1
Southwick	3	Hayes	1
Southall	2	Hounslow Town	2
St. Albans C.	2	Haywards	1
Wallsend St. L.	0	Bishop Auckland	1
Walthamstow Ave.	4	Wealdstone	2
Willington	2	Stockton	1
Wimbledon	3	Bournemouth	1
Woking	2	Tufnell Park	3
Wycombe W.	1	Slough	5

English League Seeks S. G. Barnes

World coming through from London indicates that in North County League cricket circles, there is a hope that S. G. Barnes, the Australian XI colt, will yet throw in his lot with them. The financial bait is very substantial, viz., £1250 a year.

The contract each member of the Australian team made with the Board of Control binds the players for two years not to return to England without incurring a forfeit of £200. There is a precedent for waiving this clause in the case of Alan Fairfax.

Sidney Barnes is not saying much. He is looking forward to settling down again in Sydney. Nevertheless, the English offer is so important for a young man just 21 years of age, that it will not do to bank on his not eventually linking up with English League cricket.

NEW ARSENAL GOALKEEPER

Ted Platt, 17-year-old, reserve goalkeeper of Colchester United, has been signed on by Arsenal. He is a Gloucestershire boy and joined Colchester from Bath on the formation of the Colchester United F.C. at the beginning of last season. He is the son of an old Bolton Wanderers full-back.

Bradman Equals C.B. Fry's World Record

**Australian Star's 21,263
Runs; Average
96.02—Since 1927**

(By AIR MAIL)

DON Bradman, by scoring 135 not out for South Australia against his old State, New South Wales, equalled C. B. Fry's world first-class cricket record of six centuries in successive innings, established in 1901.

Since he returned from the tour of England, Bradman has scored 914 runs in six innings for an average of 182.8, his highest score being 225 against Queensland.

AMATEUR RIDER BACKS HIMSELF TO WIN £7,500

Mr. Jack Morris And
Grand National

**COULD NOT RIDE
TWO YEARS AGO**

(By AIR MAIL)

An amateur rider has backed himself to win a total of £7,500 in the Grand National. This rider, Mr. Jack Morris, of Chalfont St. Giles, Bucks, is so much a newcomer to the Turf that two years ago he could not ride a horse.

He has since become an expert rider, and took second place in his first steeplechase under National Hunt Rules in December at Plumpton.

He bought Drim, a fine steeple-chaser, and is to ride him in the Grand National on March 24. The bets he had already taken are:

£500 to £10 against getting a ride in the Grand National and getting over the first fence;

Two bets of £3,000 to £30 against completing the first of the two circuits;

£1,000 to £1 against winning the race.

One day he walked into the Eccentric Club in riding kit. A member, a well-known sportsman, said to him, "I expect you will ride in the Grand National?"

He said: "Why not?" and the sportsman said, "I bet you 100 to 1 you won't complete the circuit once." The bets were duly taken and other members of the club joined in. Mr. Morris took all the bets.

COMPLETED THE COURSE

Drim, a twelve-year-old gelding, was one of thirteen horses to complete the course in last year's Grand National. Though not fast, he is, according to racing men, about the best jumper in England. Drim will be ridden by Mr. Morris in one or two races before the Grand National.

Mr. Morris has reduced from 12st 7lb to 10st 2lb in a year in his effort to become fit for the event. He goes from his London flat or from his home at Chalfont St. Giles to racing stables at West Horsley, Surrey, every morning to train, and walks 10 miles a day.

Bradman began his first-class career in 1927 with a century against South Australia, the team which he now captains. Altogether, he has scored 21,263 runs in 253 innings (32 not out) for an average of 96.02—a remarkable record over such a long period.

Bradman has one more chance left to break Fry's record this season, for South Australia play Victoria in the last Sheffield Shield match, beginning at Adelaide on February 24.

MATCH DRAWN

South Australia, by scoring 349 for three (declared), gained a first innings lead of 103, but New South Wales scored 156 for five, and the match was left drawn. Stumps were drawn a quarter of an hour before time owing to bad light.

Bradman's innings was not one of the brightest, and he was particularly cautious when nearing the record. His innings lasted two hours twenty-one minutes, and included only seven 4s. His partnership with C. L. Badcock, who was caught and bowled by Hynes when 98, yielded 186 runs in 126 minutes, Badcock being the chief aggressor.

ONLY ONE CHANCE

Bradman offered only one chance during his innings, but that was when he was 133. Badcock, however, was favoured with a little luck, and gave a couple of chances.

Moyle kept wicket instead of Bradman—who took on the job on Saturday—when New South Wales batted again. He proved a capable substitute, catching Cheetham and stumping Chipperfield.

M'Cauley, an opening batsman, was top scorer for New South Wales with 76.

COLONY BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

Entries are invited for the third annual open Badminton championships of Hong Kong, which will be held under the auspices of the Hong Kong Badminton Association from Monday, February 20.

The events arranged are Men's Singles (Senior and Junior), Men's Doubles, Mixed Doubles and Ladies' Doubles.

C. B. FRY'S CABLE

"Respectful congratulations, but we all gave you best years ago—C. B. Fry." So runs the cable sent to Don Bradman from the man whose record of six centuries in successive innings in 1901 the Australian batsman equalled.

IAN PEEBLES TO CAPTAIN MIDDLESEX

Robins In Whitsun
Game

I. A. R. Peebles has been appointed captain of Middlesex for the coming season, and will play throughout the summer.

R. W. V. Robins, the retiring captain, will play in the Whitsuntide match and may make other appearances.

Born in Scotland in 1908, Peebles played for the Gentlemen against the Players at the age of nineteen. He played for Oxford against Cambridge in 1930, and for England in two Test matches against Australia in this country, in 1930, and in four Tests each during the tours of South Africa in 1927-28 and 1930-31.

He bowls leg-breaks and the googly, but in recent years has not played much first-class cricket.

COTTON'S NEW AGREEMENT WITH ASHRIDGE

(By AIR MAIL)

Henry Cotton is to remain professional to Ashridge Club, Hertfordshire, for at least four more years. He stated that he had signed an agreement to that effect, confirming a tentative arrangement made a few weeks ago.

"I can now get on with the job of selecting an assistant to replace William Laidlaw, who has become full professional at West Herts," said Cotton. "Quite a few young golfers seem to think that the position of chief assistant at Ashridge is worth having, and I have had several applications."

Cotton is still in correspondence with Mr. George Jacobus, of the American Professional Golfer's Association, regarding a trip to the United States, but no decision has been made. If he does not visit America in April, Cotton will have a full tournament season at home, in order to keep in training for possible inclusion in the British Ryder Cup team. The cup match is to be played in America in late October or early November.

Welsh Rugby Union's Ban On Cambridge Soccer Blue

(By AIR MAIL)

The Welsh Rugby Union has informed Mr. Dudley Folland, of Swansea, that he cannot be considered to hold an amateur status.

WELSH UNION'S DECISION ON D. FOLLAND

(By AIR MAIL)

"Ridiculous," "absurd," "an awfully narrow view"—these terms were used by Mr. Dudley Folland, the Cambridge soccer Blue, and a director of Swansea Town F.C., in commenting to a reporter upon the ruling of the Welsh Rugby Union that he cannot be considered to hold amateur status.

Mr. Folland, who helped Cambridge to beat Oxford at soccer in 1934, and who has also played at wing three-quarter for Swansea Rugby Club, said, "It is ridiculous. I suppose they base their decision on the assumption that I make money out of my directorship of Swansea Town. This is absurd. I am a director of Swansea for the love of the game, and to try and help the club."

"The Union notified me last September that I wasn't eligible to play under their jurisdiction, and, of course, I appealed. I heard unofficially a few days ago that my appeal had been turned down. I have had no official notification."

CURIOUS

"I am tied by the decision," went on Mr. Folland. "If I resigned my

The son of the late Henry Folland, a prominent Welsh industrialist, Dudley Folland was educated at Malvern College and Cambridge University. In 1934 he gained his soccer Blue, helping Cambridge to beat Oxford at Highbury.

He has also played at wing three-quarter for Swansea Rugby Club, and has been for some time now a director of Swansea Town Association Football Club. It is because he holds this post that the Welsh Union have decided to ban him.

Recently Folland, who is 26 years of age, has undertaken an important post at the new Ebbw Vale works, and he wished to play with the local club there. After an appearance with the side, however, he was informed that he was not eligible to play.

directorship of Swansea I do not know if the ban would be lifted, but I am certainly not going to do that. The funny part about it is that I did play Rugby at Cambridge after I became a director of Swansea, and nothing was said. I played soccer and Rugby in the same season."

Mr. Folland holds an important post at the New Ebbw Vale Works, and the whole trouble with the Welsh Union has arisen because he wished to play Rugby with the local club there.

Pellegatti And Lafford From The Studio

Today's Wireless

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12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intorcession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—De Groot & His Orchestra with Jessica Dragonette (Soprano).
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Turner Layton (Vocal) at the Piano.
Dinner For One Please, James (Carr); The Echo Of A Song (König & Mann); Paris In The Spring (film 'Paris Love Song').
1.13 p.m.—Roy Fox & His Orchestra. True Confession—Fox-Trot (from the film); There's A Gold Mine In The Sky—Fox-Trot; Sympathy—Waltz (film 'Firefly'); Afraid To Dream—Fox-Trot (film 'You can't have everything'); Remember Me—Fox-Trot (film 'Mr. Dodd takes the Air'); That Old Feeling—Fox-Trot (film 'Walter Wanger's Vagabonds of 1938').
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Variety with Frank Crumit, Lavalida Carter, Hildegard and Jimmy Dorsey's Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—An Hour of Dance Music and Variety.
Dance Orch.—Lyn' To Myself—Fox-Trot; Ev'ntide—Fox-Trot....Louis Armstrong & His Orchestra with Vocal by Louis Armstrong.

Piano-Accordeons—Wine Song (film 'Caravan'); Happy, I'm Happy (film 'Caravan')....The London Piano-Accordeon Band under the direction of Scott Wood with Vocal Chorus.
Dance Orch.—Sky High Honeymoon—Quickstep (film 'Everything Is Rhythm'); No Words—Nor Anything—Comedy—Quickstep (film 'Everything Is Rhythm')....Harry Roy & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
Vocal & Piano—If You Love Me (Noble); My Heart And I (film 'Anything Goes')....Leslie Hutchinson.
Dance Orch.—Head Over Heels—Fox-Trot (from the film); There's That Look In Your Eyes Again—Fox-Trot (from 'Head Over Heels')....Ambrose & His Orchestra with Vocal Chorus.
Vocal—Tom Costello In Song Memories (Scott, McClennon & Gilbert)....Tom Costello & Chorus with Orch.
Dance Orch.—How'm I Doin'—Quickstep; Lazy Rhythm—Slow Fox-Trot....Nat Gonella & His Georgians.
Comedienne—Up Aroun' The Ole North Pole (Hargreaves & Damerel); What Can You Give A Nudist (Clerk)....Bertha Millmott with Orch.
Dance Orch.—Whoop It Up—Fox-Trot; You Don't Understand—Fox-Trot....Clarence Williams & His Washboard Band with Vocal Refrain.
7 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.02 p.m.—Sea Shanties.
Rio Grande; Billy Boy (Arr. Terry); Shanandoah (arr. Terry); Agincourt (Willan); Here's A Health Unto His Majesty (Harris); Ten Thousand Miles Away (Willan)....John Goss (Baritone) and Cathedral Male Voice Quartet with Piano.
7.16 p.m.—Constant Lambert—The Rio Grande. The Halle Orchestra with Piano Solo by Sir Hamilton Harty and The St. Michael's Singers conducted by The Composer.
7.31 p.m.—Halle Orchestra.
Le Carnaval Romain—Overture (Berlioz, Op. 9)....conducted by Sir Hamilton Harty.
Solemn Melody (For Organ and Orchestra—Sir Walford Davies)....with Glyde Twelvetares (Cello) & Harold Dawber (Organ).
A Trumpet Voluntary (For Brass and Organ—Purcell—arr. Wood)....with Alex Harris (Trumpet) and Harold Dawber (Organ).
Hungarian Rhapsody No. 12 (Liszt); An Irish Symphony—Scherzo (Sir Hamilton Harty)....conducted by Sir Hamilton Harty.
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Studio—Beethoven's Sonata No. 3 in A Major played by Ettore Pellegatti (Cello) and Lindsay A. Lafford (Piano).
8.33 p.m.—A Programme of Eric Coates' Music.
Two Symphonic Rhapsodies—1. I pitch my lonely Caravan; 2. Bird Songs at Eventide I heard you singing....New Light Symphony Orchestra conducted by Joseph Lewis.
Music Of The Night; A Song Remembered....John McCormack (Tenor) with Piano accomp. by Edwin Schneider.
Cinderella—A Phantasy.....Eric

Coates and Symphony Orchestra.
9 p.m.—London Relay—'Empire Exchange'. Points of view by travellers from the Dominions & Colonies.
9.15 p.m.—Rubinstein playing Chopin. Nocturne In D Flat Major, Op. 27, No. 2.
Nocturne In G Minor, Op. 37, No. 1.
Nocturne In C Sharp Minor, Op. 27, No. 1.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—A Request Programme.
Orch.—Symphony No. 6 In G Major (The 'Surprise' Symphony—Haydn)....Boston Symphony Orchestra cond. by Serge Koussevitsky.
Vocal—Ombra Mai Fu ('Xerxes'—Handel)....Erico Caruso (Tenor) with Organ (Sung in Italian).
Orch.—'Samson And Delilah'—Bacchanale (Saint-Saens)....Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Leopold Stokowski.
Vocal—The Lute Player (Allitsen)....Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra.
Vocal—Lamento Borincano (Hernandez—arr. Brito); La Rosa Oriental (Espigul)....Conchita Supervia (Mezzo-Soprano) with Orch. (Sung in Spanish).
Orch.—Jealousy—Tango Tzigane (Gade)....Boston Promenade Orchestra cond. by Arthur Fiedler.
Vocal—Rose Marie (from the film)....Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orch.
Vocal—Indian Love Call (from 'Rose Marie')....Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano) and Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orch.
Dance Orch.—Night And Day—Fox-Trot....Tommy Dorsey & His Orch.
Vocal—Music, Maestro, Please (from 'These Foolish Things')....Frances Day with Orch.
Dance Orch.—The Donkey's Serenade (from 'The Firefly')....Jay Wilbur & His Band with Vocal Chorus by the Cavendish Three.
Vocal—Happy As A Lark (film 'Breaking The Ice')....Bobby Breen with Victor Young & His Orchestra.
Orch.—My Own (film 'That Certain Age')....Henry King & His Orch.
11 p.m.—Close down.



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♥ A x x
♦ x
♣ x x

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Score 100% for one spade, 60% for four spades, 40% for three spades, 0 for any other bid. (Note: If you want to pre-empt, four spades is much more likely to shut the opponents out than three spades.)

TODAY'S HAND

North, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

♠ A K Q 10 7 4
♥ A K J 2
♦ A
♣ J 3
N 6 5
W 10 8 6
E 9 7 4 3
S 8 2
J 9 7
Q 10 8 6
K 5 4
10 9 8 6 5

J 8 2
K 10 3
A K Q 7 4 2
Merwin Maier

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
3♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
3♠	Pass	6♠	Pass
7♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
Pass	Pass	7NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Merwin Maier's resourceful final bid of seven notrump saved a situation which his partner was not clever enough to read. To start at the beginning, Mr. Maier had a whale of a hand in support of his partner's opening two-spade bid. He first made the mild response of three clubs and on the next round jumped to six spades, inviting the Grand Slam. North was entirely correct in contracting for seven spades, but when the bidding reverted to West and that player doubled, North should have suspected that something was wrong. West's double could be based on a trick in clubs. If by some remote chance he held the Ace, nothing could be done about it; but it was far more likely that he was void and could trump the opening lead. Since the double of a Slam contract calls for the lead of the first side suit bid by dummy, West's double of seven spades was a good gamble. While he was fairly certain that his opponents could make seven notrump, he was sure that without the double his partner would not lead a club. And since there was no other hope, West doubled to get the club opening, murmuring a prayer that seven spades would not be rescued.

Studying the hand Mr. Maier decided that in view of his own plentiful array of high cards and his partner's terrific bidding, West could be doubling only on a void suit. Furthermore, it looked as though there were enough high cards in the combined hands to run off thirteen tricks at notrump, and this proved to be the case. Mr. Maier deserves plenty of credit for reading West's double and coming to the rescue.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 25th February to 7th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

Dated this 31st day of January, 1939.

Order of the Board.

W. L. MCKENZIE,

Secretary.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of HONG KONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, the 17th day of February, 1939, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 3rd to FRIDAY, the 17th February, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board

W. F. SIMMONS,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 25th January, 1939.

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ABOUT 18,000 SPANISH REFUGEES HAVE SINCE SATURDAY BEEN TRANSPORTED FROM THE PYRENEAN FRONTIER INTO THE INTERIOR OF FRANCE, ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT MADE HERE EARLY YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

It is added that 60,000 refugees were still waiting yesterday morning at the frontier to be transported as new arrival of between 30,000 and 40,000 refugees from the region of Seo de Urgel is expected within the next few days.

The Minister of Interior, M. Sarraut and the Minister of Health, M. Rucart, have arrived at Perpignan to investigate conditions on the spot. The Ministers inspected a refugee camp at Boulon and Le Perthus and will visit the camp at Prats de Mollo.

MILITARY REINFORCED

Improved weather conditions have contributed to alleviate the sufferings of thousands of refugees who owing to lack of accommodation have been obliged to remain in the open air and were drenched by snow that fell continuously for 36 hours.

The health of the refugees weakened by the exposure gives rise to grave anxiety and the authorities are taking extensive precautionary measures in conjunction with the Red Cross organisation.

MISS BARBARA LORD MARRIED

Miss Barbara Isobell Brunette Lord, riding instructress of the Kowloon Riding School, became the bride of Mr. George William Cooper, of No. 94, Nathan Road, Kowloon, at the Registry this afternoon.

The ceremony was conducted by the Registrar of Marriages, Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith. The witnesses were Mr. G. Treverton and Miss J. G. Old.

The military precautions along the frontier have been increased by despatch of contingents of the Republican Guard and cavalry to reinforce the 10,000 regular troops and 8,000 Mobile Guards already stationed there.

These reinforcements are motivated by an attack on the Carbanera farm near Le Perthus on Monday where some 1,500 Spanish Republican militiamen had been refused admission into France. Some thousand refugees who sought shelter in a railway tunnel leading from Spanish into French territory at Cerbere have now evacuated the tunnel.

Meanwhile the Belgian Government will join the international relief for the Spanish population, according to an announcement made after yesterday's Cabinet meeting in Brussels.

The Belgian Government will care for 500 Spanish children in supervision of the Belgian Consul. The first children arrived yesterday. — Trans-Ocean.

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OUTCRY IN BRUSSELS

Brussels, To-day.

Streets and public squares of the centre of the Belgian capital were occupied by police and gendarmes yesterday in anticipation of demonstrations against the nomination of the Flemish Professor Martens as member of the Belgian Academy of Science.

Objection is taken to the nomination owing to the activities of Professor Martens during the Great War when he was sentenced to death for high treason.

Ex-servicemen's organisations demand that the nomination which has already been confirmed by the King shall be cancelled. — Trans-Ocean.

SPANISH LEADERS SEEK REFUGEE IN FRANCE

Paris, To-day.

Reports received here from Perpignan last evening declare that several Catalan Anarchist leaders amongst them the Commander of Anarchist Shocktroops of Barcelona, Artem Y. Guada and his brother Jaume who until recently was the Mayor of Barcelona have now also sought refuge on the French side of the frontier.

Other Government leaders who now established their residence in Perpignan are the former Governor of Barcelona, Juan Molas, and his son, the former First Secretary of General Companys, the former President of Barcelona Court, Ramon Perez Noriega and the Under-Secretary of the Catalan Ministry of Justice, Ragassol. — Trans-Ocean.

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